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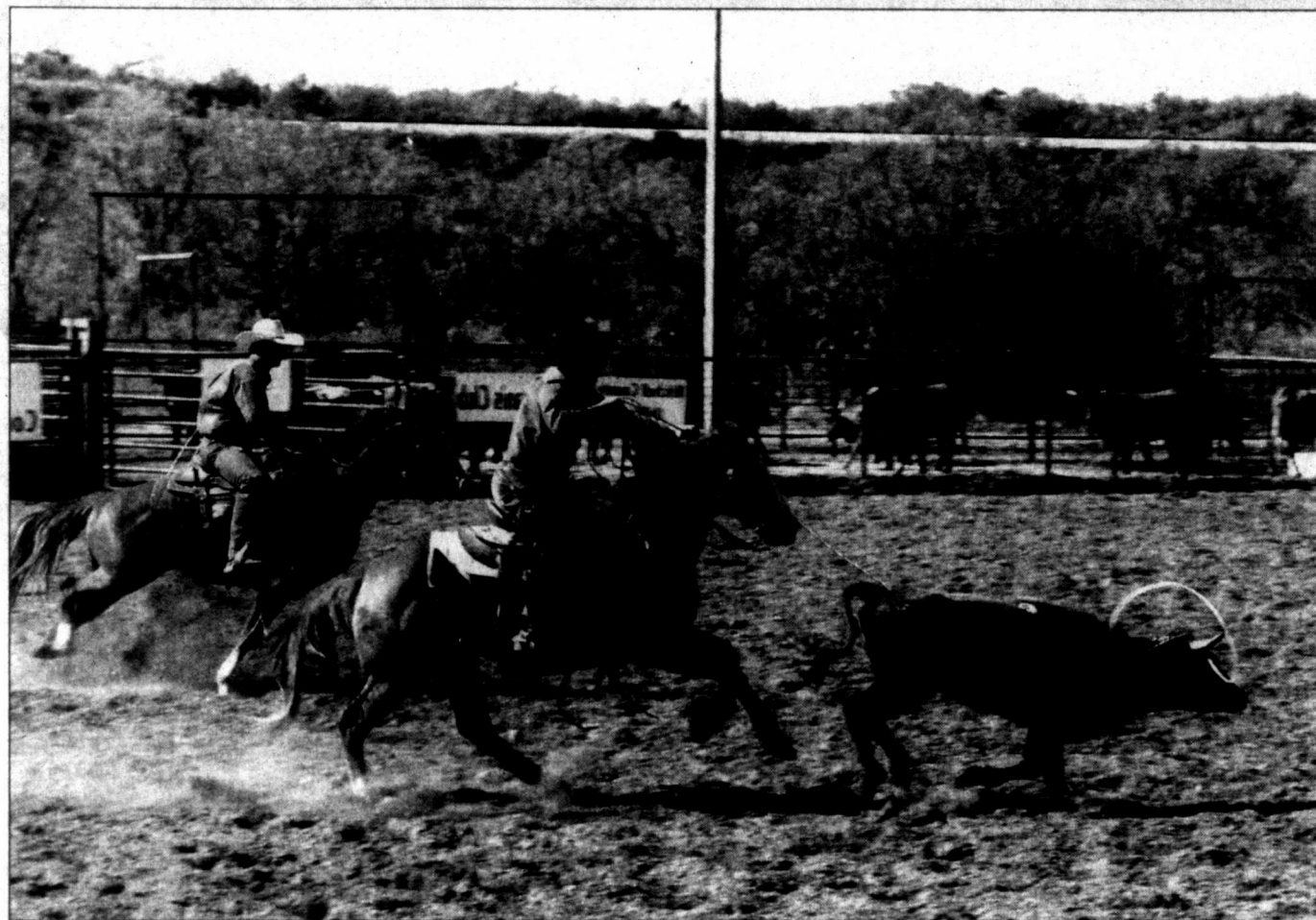
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Thursday, April 23, 2009

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Spills and thrills part of recent Ranch Rodeo



TWENTY FOUR-MAN teams competed in the annual Chamber of Commerce Ranch Rodeo last Saturday. Over \$6,000 in cash and prizes were awarded at this year's rodeo.

Colorado City was host last Saturday to real life cowboys who demonstrated their day-to-day skills at the Ranch Rodeo. The Rodeo, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, gave 20 four-man teams the chance to showcase talents learned working daily on area ranches.

From team doctoring to wild cow milking, cowpunchers put their abilities to the test to see who was the fastest and the best this year.

First place belt buckles and \$2,768 in prize money went to the E.C. Cattle Company from Lamesa. Team members were Nathan Carter, team captain; Tray Paul, Ray Paul and Kris Hubbard.

The T.P. Livestock Company, also of Lamesa, took second

place, winning knives and \$2,064 in cash. Team members were Tray Paul, team captain; Ray Paul, Kris Hubbard and Hagen Johnson.

Third place went to the O'Brian Cattle Company out of Midland. Third place winners received money clips and \$1,208 in cash. The O'Brian team members were Jody O'Brian, team captain; Justin Smith, Ryan O'Donnell and Nathan Carter.

Matt and MaryAnn Syler of Colorado City helped sweeten the winners' pot by adding \$1,000 to the overall rodeo prizes. They donated \$500 to the first place winners; \$300 to the second place winners and \$200 to the third place winners.

Winners were determined by point totals accrued throughout
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No new taxes

The city council unanimously approved a \$5 million budget for 2009 at Tuesday's called meeting.

"The new budget reflects no change in the property tax income," said city manager Zane Graham, which accounts for only \$600,000 or 12% of the city's annual budget of \$5,044,889.

The remaining funds are generated through water and sewer revenues, garbage fees, franchise fees, fines, etc.

While the Texas Water Development Board lists Colorado City as a "disadvantaged city," according to Mayor Jim Baum due in part to property evaluations only bringing in \$8 million dollars annually, Graham said there was no

need to raise property rates as increased water revenues will make up the difference.

"My first estimate was pretty conservative," he said, adding the 14% increase in water revenues are volume, not rate, based.

Cut from the new budget was the \$30,000 that the county provides the city for their participation in the Main Street program.

Although the city and county have an inter-local agreement, the county will pull out of it in May.

The city approved the agreement until May, with the county giving the city \$12,500 for the Main Street program.

"The county has said it will possibly participate with the Main Street non-profit 501C3

Loraine man dies in accident Saturday

A Loraine man was pronounced dead at Mitchell County Hospital Saturday after rescue workers extricated him from under the car he was working on.

The vehicle collapsed on Paulino Alfaro around 3:30 p.m., according to Dickie Summers, Loraine Police Chief.

"The first responders got the subject out from under the vehicle and started CPR," Summers said.

Alfaro was transported to Mitchell County hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The cause of death is still to be determined.

"We're uncertain whether the victim died as a result of injuries from the car falling on him or from a heart attack," said Sheriff Patrick Toombs, who assisted at the scene.

Apparently Alfaro was alone at the time of the accident.

Chamber to host political forum Thursday evening

A political forum will be held Thursday evening at 7 p.m. at the civic center.

The forum, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, will allow voters to meet with candidates running for mayor and city council.

Candidates will be able to answer two questions with a three minute per question time limit.

Questions must be submitted in writing and will be drawn randomly.

Nicki Harle, Executive Director of Texas Midwest Community Network in Abilene will facilitate the forum.

An "instant replay" of the forum will be provided on the Record's website the following afternoon.

Early voting begins Monday

Early voting by personal appearance for the May 9th election begins Monday, April 27 and runs through Tuesday, May 5. Voters in Colorado City can cast their ballots at city hall on 180 W. 3rd Street from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Two 12-hour days have been set for April 28 and May 5 when the polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

In Loraine, voters will vote at city hall, 111 S. Main, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. and from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Monday, April 27 and

Tuesday, May 5th.

Colorado City will hold mayoral and city council elections. Running for mayor are incumbent Jim Baum and Carol Sue Dakan.

In District 1 incumbent Sammy Contreras faces off against challengers Margaret Brown and Lisa Hernandez.

Incumbent Bob McNeal and Sue Mason will go head-to-head in District 2; while incumbent Justin Harris faces challenger Keith Hiser for District 5's seat.

In Loraine, incumbent mayor
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Clean up Day set Saturday

The City Wide Clean Up Day, sponsored by Keep Colorado City Beautiful will get underway at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 25 at the First Baptist Church parking lot.

All wood, untreated lumber and tree and shrub limbs are to be taken to the bonfire location east of town, according to Bob Reily, KCCB president.

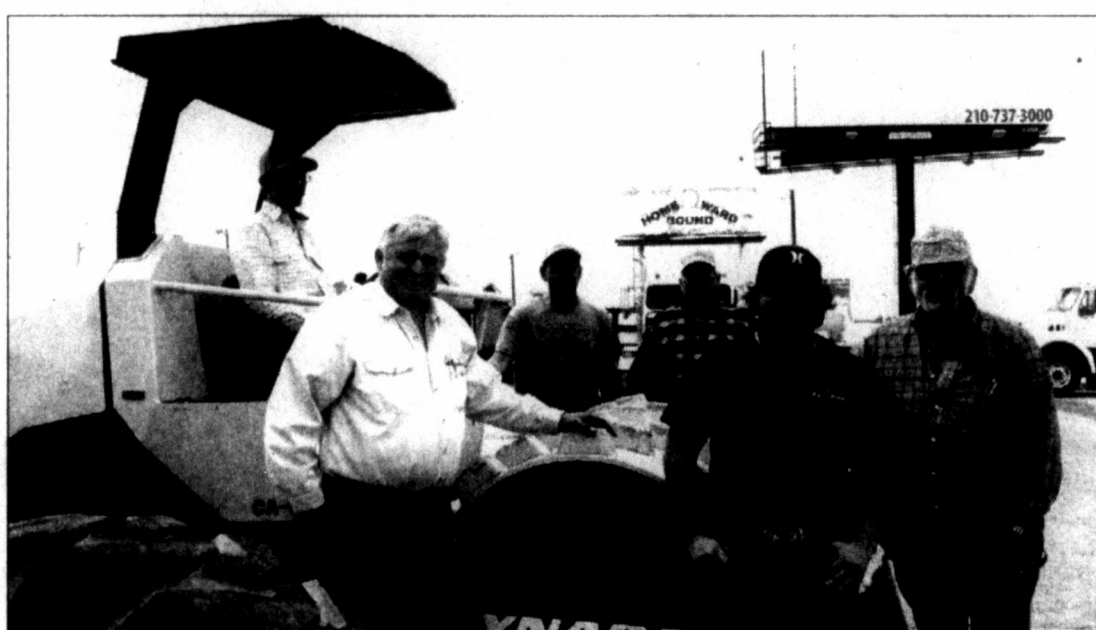
Metal and appliances can be

taken to Lentz Machinery.

The city will provide front end loaders and some dump trucks to help with the cleanup. KCCB will also have trailers available.

Reily reminded citizens that only residential building materials can be picked up. "We cannot pick up commercial or industrial building materials," he said.

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READY FOR ACTION — Greenery's work force (back row left to right) Doug Whitaker, Tim Charlton and Mac Vincent, (front left to right) Skip Presley, Dakato Presley and Tom Whitesides bring in the 'big dogs' in earth moving equipment as their company settles in for the long haul.

Construction on rise in West Texas

The future of construction may be stuck in the mud in metropolitan areas, but in West Texas it's on the rise.

Skip Presley, owner of Greenery, moved his new business to

Colorado City to take advantage of that potential growth.

"After the banks and economy wars, I started looking around for what other areas of the country and markets were available and

not highly affected by the economic downturn," Presley said.

"I knew of wind energy, made a few trips out here snooping around. Tom Whitesides was in-

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C-City man arrested on

assault charge

A case of domestic family violence led to the arrest of Rudy Martinez, Jr. April 14 on charges of aggravated assault, according to Detective Adam Davis, Colorado City Police Department.

The Colorado City Police Officer Larry Witkowski responded to a call April 13 of domestic violence on E. 7th Street. Upon arrival Witkowski observed a woman in the front yard with torn clothing and facial injuries.

Further investigation of eye witnesses led Det. Adam Davis, Lt. Cary Hale and Chief of Police Ron Dooley to arrest Martinez the following day.

According to witnesses, a family quarrel resulted in Martinez attacking the victim, attempting to strangle her and placing a knife to the victim's throat.

The arrival of police on the scene caused Martinez to return indoors.

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Around Town	Obituaries	Briefs	Thought of the Week
Ask Buddy Marcom if he found his bottle... Happy belated birthday Patsy Ballard (Apr. 21)... Happy 52nd birthday, Manuel Gonzales...	Mary Caddell Lawton, OK Paulino Alfaro, Loraine	Art Guild The West Texas Art Guild will meet at Studio Twenty at 10 a.m. on Sat., Apr. 25 to make plans for the Spring Fling show on May 2. Immunization Clinic The Texas Dept. of State Health Services will hold an immunization clinic on Wed., May 6 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Wallace Center, 149 S. Hwy. 208. Please bring immunization records, Medicaid card and CHIP card to clinic. For more information, call 325-754-4945. KCCB Meeting Keep Colorado City Beautiful will meet at	I never think of the future - it comes soon enough. Albert Einstein
Answerline		6 p.m. on Thursday at First United Methodist Church. ABCD Scrambles ABCD Scrambles will be held on Thursday at 6 p.m. at Wolf Creek Golf Course. Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. Mud Bog The Mitchell County 4-H will hold their 7 th Annual Mud Bog on Sat., May 9 at the rodeo grounds. Registration starts at 3 p.m. and the event begins at 5 p.m. The event is open to all vehicles suitable for mudding. Entry fee is \$30. No nitrous or blower vehicles allowed. Gate admission	Lake Levels
Q: When is the CC Riders Car Show and Cruise Night? A: This year's Car Show and Cruise Night has been moved to the weekend of June 12-13.		is \$2 per child and \$5 per adult. For more information, call Blaine Lemons at 325-933-0224. Bonfire Celebration There will be a bonfire celebration of the Flower Moon Sat., May 9 at dusk. Anyone with wood or limbs can deliver them to the fire site east of P.J.'s, on the south side of I-20. Only wood should be taken to the site. The May celebration is held in honor of the month when plants and flowers come to full bloom due to warm, wet weather and April showers. It's a good time for working on commitments, both of spirit and love.	(as of April 21, 2009) Lake Colorado City...2062.85' Full at 2070.3' Down 7.45' Lake Champion...2050.09' Full at 2083' Down 32.91'

LOCAL NEWS



SEVERAL MEMBERS OF the Mitchell County 4-H competed in the District 2 4-H Livestock Judging Contest at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. Those competing included: (l-r) John Senter, Delani Meguire, Shelby Cogburn, K'Leigh Wallis, Taylor Beckmeyer, Kalynn Hardegree, and Dylan Meguire. Not pictured were: Rachel Beckmeyer, Alexis and Mark Muñoz, and Allison Torres.

4-Hers leave hoof prints at contests

by John R. Senter
Mitchell CEA-AG
Texas AgriLife Extension Service

We all should know that 4-H members have less than 18 candles on a birthday cake, however, you are about to know about a group of members that are wise beyond their years when it comes to evaluating livestock.

This past weekend, ten County 4-H members participated in the District 2 4-H Livestock Judging Contest, held at Texas Tech. Teams from 18 other South Plains counties were also there to try to dethrone what is becoming an annual powerhouse

from right here in our county.

Now, to set the stage for this whole big event, members all judge 8 classes of livestock, consisting of four animals per class and are in four species: beef cattle, sheep, swine and this year, goats. The kids are given 12 minutes per class and are split into age divisions only for the purpose of awards. These divisions are: Junior ages 9 & 10; Intermediate, ages 10-13 and Seniors are ages 14-18. So, now get this - 150 kids in eight groups, with 12 minutes per class and the ability to recall the quality and structural standards in both breeding and market livestock in each of the four species classes - with-

out one single page of printed material allowed in the contest! Is it sinkin' in yet? This stuff ain't easy!

So, now that the stage is set and you're sitting there thinking about what you really know about livestock and maybe need to know - chew on this for a spell - the following is a list of awards and recognition that our 4-H members gathered in all three age divisions:

Junior Division: Team members are Allison Torres, Dylan Meguire, Mark Muñoz and Alexis Munoz. Allison placed 7th individual in Swine, 3rd individual in Sheep, 10th individual in Goats and 6th Overall High Point Individual.

Dylan worked his way into these individual placings: 11th in Swine and 17th in Goats. In his first year of competition, Mark finished with this list of winnings: 9th in Beef Cattle; 22nd in Sheep and 15th Overall Individual. Ivan sister Alexis Munoz gathered these awards in her first time at the placing pen: 15th in Beef Cattle; 4th in Sheep and 11th Overall Individual.

But wait, this team was not satisfied with only individual honors. Here is a run down of team awards this bunch sacked up: 3rd in Beef Cattle; 6th in Swine; 3rd in Sheep; 4th in Goats and to top that all off - 2nd High Point Team in the Contest!

In the **Intermediate Division:**

Library to offer class

An introductory class in computers for beginners will be offered by the Mitchell County Library.

The library will conduct a six-week beginners' computer class starting Tuesday, May 5 and running through June 9, according to Brigada Hiser, librarian from 7 p.m. until 8 or 8:30 p.m.

"This class will get you started. It's very very basic. No prior computer knowledge is required," Hiser said.

The class, taught by T. J. Spray, will cover basic commands, using the mouse and "finding your way around the screen," said Hiser, adding the class begins with how to turn on the computer.

Class has a 10 student limit.

Anyone interested in the class should call the library at 728-3968.

OBITUARIES

Mary Frances Caddell

1926-2009

OKLAHOMA - Memorial service for Mary Frances Caddell was held at 11 a.m. Friday at First Presbyterian Church in Oklahoma. She died Tuesday, April 14, 2009, in Lawton. Interment followed at International Order of Odd Fellows Cemetery at a later date, under direction of Cremation Society of Oklahoma, Tulsa.

She was born Aug. 23, 1926, in Bethesda, Md., to Pere and Emily Seward. She married Max N. Caddell on June 11, 1949, in Bethesda. They lived in Colorado City for the first 12 years of their marriage. In 1960, they moved to Oklahoma and lived in Walters, Tulsa and Lawton. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Lawton, where she served as a deacon.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Max and Debbie of Oklahoma City; a brother and sister-in-law, Jim and Ellie Seward of Ordway, Colo.; five grandchildren, Casey and Nicole, Meridith and Cody Westfahl, and Corey, all of Enid; Kelli Ulloa of Indianola; and Dustin and Jenna Stamper of Lawton; one step-grandson, Josh of Oklahoma City; 10 great-grandchildren and special friends, David and Diana Stamper of Indianola.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Chris Stamper; and a brother, Frank Seward.

Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to a charity of the donor's choice or to First Presbyterian Church memorial fund, 1302 SW A, Lawton, OK 73501.

Paulino Alfaro

1952-2009

LORAIN - Mr. Paulino Alfaro, age 56, died Saturday afternoon in a local hospital. A funeral mass was held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 2009, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Ruben Covos officiating. Burial followed in the Mitchell County Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Alfaro was born December 23, 1952, in Celaya, Mexico, to Guadalupe and Teresa Ireta Alfaro and had lived in Loraine since 1966. He married Raquel Canada on February 9, 1969 in Mexico. He was a painter and a ginner during cotton season. He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Raquel Alfaro of Loraine; three daughters, Olivia Alfaro of Snyder, Norma Cano of Blackwell and Raquel Sanchez of Bryan; a son, Pablo Alfaro, Jr. of Loraine; nine grandchildren; six sisters, Yolanda Vasquez and Elizabeth Salazar, both of Colorado City, Rosa Cassares and Marylou Salazar, both of Grand Junction, Colo.; Maria Elena Olgin of Dallas and Teresa Alfaro of Snyder; and two brothers, Jose Alfaro and Moses Alfaro, both of Mexico.

Class of '69 plans 40-year reunion

The Colorado High School Class of 1969 will be having a 40th Class Reunion this summer, Friday & Saturday, July 10 & 11, 2009. The group is looking for some classmates.

If you have any information that could be used to locate and inform these classmates about the reunion, please send information to: CHS Class of 1969, 965349 LCR 256, Colorado City, TX

79512, email grhemp@yahoo.com or christydockrey@yahoo.com, or call Glenda at (325) 728-2892

The group is searching for the following classmates: Thomas Heredia, Kenneth "Smoke" Johnson, Wanda Bell Jordan, C. E. (Claude) Kemp, Joe Pineda, Robert Sanchez, James Sander-son and Vickie Strickland.

ORCA offers rural energy workshop

AUSTIN - Financial help for renewable energy projects in rural Texas through the federal stimulus bill and other sources will be the focus of a May 18 workshop co-sponsored by the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA).

The free workshop will be 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Room 170 of the Stephen F. Austin state office building, 1700 N. Congress, in

Austin.

More than \$200 million for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects are expected to be available in Texas from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (stimulus bill), said Travis Brown, ORCA's renewable energy program manager. Brown also is coordinator of the Rural Alliance for Renewable Energy (RARE), which is hosting the workshop.

"Rural Texas has the potential to benefit tremendously from the development of wind power, solar power, biomass and other forms of renewable energy," Brown said. "This workshop will help community leaders and others locate financial help to jumpstart their renewable energy projects."

Speakers at the workshop will include representatives from the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO), which will administer much of the stimulus money in Texas.

Other sources of funding to be discussed will include Clean Renewable Energy Bonds, ORCA's Renewable Energy Demonstration Pilot Program and the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture's Rural Energy for America Program.

Brown said the workshop is intended for officials from rural towns, counties and schools, along with rural businesses, landowners, agricultural producers and renewable energy companies.

Registration for the May 18 workshop is limited. To register, call Brown at (512) 936-7878 or email him at tbrown@orca.state.tx.us.

For more information, also see: www.orca.state.tx.us and http://www.infinitepower.org/rare/

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LOCAL NEWS

The Eclectic Hobbyist

Model cars a life long hobby in research

Some people never outgrow childhood hobbies. Brian Mayfield began building model cars when he was a child, then came back to it in his 40s.

"Somehow the bug bit me," Mayfield said. "I hadn't built a car since my early 20s." A visit to a model shop in Big Spring rekindled his childhood enthusiasm.

"I actually started out (as a kid) building airplanes," said Mayfield, whose wife Dana is pastor of First Presbyterian Church. "Cars came later. My parents didn't mind buying them for me. I build a lot."

Back then, the emphasis on model building was how fast he could get one built. "I never painted them when I was young," he said. "I just threw them together. It was fun to do."

"Part of the fun was to shoot them with a bb gun. I lost a lot of them," Mayfield said.

Today is a different story. Mayfield will spend weeks and

months researching a particular car in order to get the right shade of paint.

"I don't use much glue," he said. "I don't want to ruin the finish."

Mayfield mostly builds Chevys and some of the subjects are cars he and his dad owned. Some are cars he's seen in a magazine and some are just pure fantasy. "The cars I'd like to build or have, but can't afford," Mayfield said.

One of the first cars he built was turquoise '60 Impala that his dad owned. Mayfield conducted research to find the exact color and how to paint it, then found a kit and adapted it. "I had to order paint from out of state," he said in order to match the original color. "It's an exact duplicate." Once the model was finished, Mayfield sent it to his father for Christmas.

Using mostly Revell and AMT kits, Mayfield also builds elements of his models from scratch.

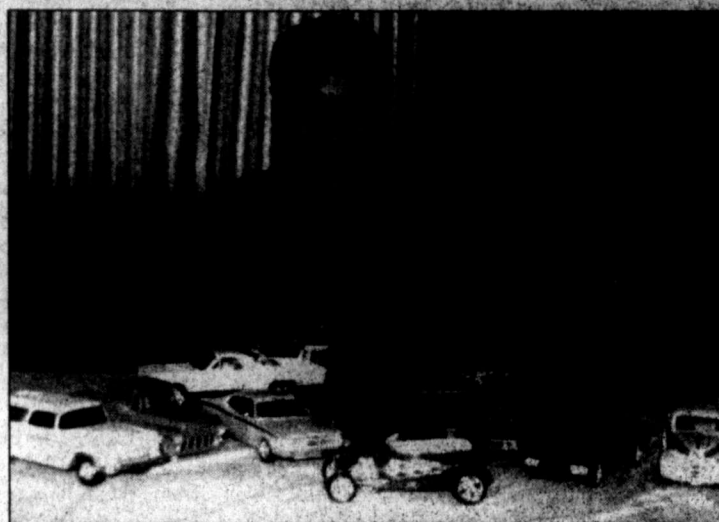
One of his "off the wall" fun cars is a yellow Chevy "flip up gasser." Mayfield built the frame and roll cage from scratch. "The chassis and frame I made up out of thin air," he said.

Currently he has 30 kits still in their boxes. "Sometimes I get frustrated and will put it away for a while," he said, adding one model took three years to build since he worked on it sporadically.

Mayfield likes the subtle things, like ghost flames, and the multistep, painstaking process to polish the cars to make them shiny.

He has even won awards for some of his models, taking Best Mopar for a green Plymouth Duster in Austin; a kit that came "right out of the box."

The red 1960 Chevy Impala won second place at a Fort Worth show. "The doors opened," Mayfield said, who rubbed thread back and forth through the seams to make the doors open. "The kit doesn't



NEVER TOO OLD — Brian Mayfield rekindled his interest in building models cars, mostly from scratch, in his 40s.

come with opening doors. I added hinges to make it work."

"Building model cars takes a lot of time and patience," he said. "There are two good things. One, it's therapeutic and teaches me patience. But the most fun is the research."

A lot of research preceded the building of a Chevy Corvair that was converted from a rear engine to mid engine machine. "It was a pretty hot little

car," Mayfield said. "I had to research how to put the engine in the middle and make the rear wheels turn."

Mayfield prefers using superglue to modeling glue and clear coat on the models with pearl finish before polishing them. "Polishing the pearl paint just dulls it. You have to use clear coat," he said, adding he reads a lot of model car magazines for tip ideas.

Commissioners consider 2010 census

A representative of the U.S. Census Bureau spoke to county commissioners Monday about the 2010 census.

Address canvassing is already underway as part of early operations according to Charlene McBride, a Partnership Specialist for the U.S. Census Bureau.

Canvassing to ascertain if all addresses listed in the bureau's database are accurate began in early March and will continue through mid July.

State representation in Congress is based upon information gathered in the census about the location and number of people living within the United States.

"The census gives power to communities through reapportionment and redistricting,"

said McBride.

The census does not measure legal status, only the number of residents living in the United States.

The 2010 census form will be the shortest in the history of the census with only 10 questions. Taking only around 10 minutes for the average household to complete, the form asks for name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship and whether a person owns or rents the home.

"Using the American Community Survey which updates our figures, we hope to eventually get updated figures every three years," said McBride.

The ACS covers information about how Americans live as a nation — diversity, housing,

education, jobs, etc.

The commissioners approved an incentive package presented by the Board of Economic Development granting Judge Ray Mayo authority to deed a small sliver of county owned land (less than 1/2 an acre) allowing Bennet Stewart access to the I-20 frontage road for construction of his micromotels.

The burn ban was also temporarily lifted to allow citizens to dispose of accumulated rubbish and assist with the KCCB city-wide cleanup. The burn ban will be back on the agenda next week.

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Bike tour slated May 2

The annual Lake Colorado City Bike Tour will be held Saturday, May 2 beginning at 9 a.m.

Riders will leave the Railhead Building at 9 a.m. and travel west on 1st to Oak and turn north. From there, riders will turn east on 2nd and exit town by way of 163, according to Sue Lowrance, Chamber of Commerce director.

Applications may be picked up at the Chamber office, 157 W. 2nd. Entry fees are \$20 before April 30 and \$25 thereafter. The fee includes a T-shirt.

Lunch will be provided for the riders at the Railhead Building. For all others, the cost of the meal will be \$5.

Town hall meeting set for nation wide viewing

A nation-wide town hall meeting will be held live on Thursday, April 23 to discuss the nation's economic crisis.

Sponsored by financial entrepreneur and national talk show host, Dave Ramsey, the meeting will focus on the history of the economy, real statistics and steps to take toward hope. Ramsey will also answer questions from around the country live during the 90-minute event. Questions may be submitted via email, Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

Over 5,000 locations across the U.S. will broadcast the live feed at 8 p.m. EDT and host locations may be found from the website: www.townhallforhope.com

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Some thoughts on sound

I had the privilege recently of presenting a seminar on sound at the Dallas Children's Theater. I asked the audience if they could think of a sound that represented their hometowns. Most couldn't think of any. It's just something you don't think about.

I asked what sounds they heard in their travels and they mentioned Arabian calls to worship, waterfalls, animal sounds and other distinctive sounds from all over the world. None of them recorded any sound. One person said it would have made showing their pictures a lot more interesting if they had been able to add sound.

That was a perfect opening for a demonstration I brought with me. I first played the opening two minutes of a movie with no sound. Then I showed those same two minutes with sound. Big difference. Movies didn't do much until sound came along.

Some of those early movie sound pioneers went to their graves without revealing how they created some sounds. Randy Thom, who has won several Oscars for composing sound for movies, told me how he created some of the sounds for Star Wars. He says some of the light saber sounds came from placing a microphone behind an old tube TV set. Other sounds came from banging on a telephone pole guide wire. Movie sound designers have only three things to work with: music, the human voice and sound effects (anything that is not music or the human voice). What do sound effects do to a production for radio, television, movies or the stage? They enhance it, make it come alive.

Taking pictures is easy. Recording sound is a bit more difficult. That's why most people settle for just the pictures. Looking at the economics, you can buy a good recorder and microphone for what a camera costs. Today most computers come with audio production programs as well as programs devoted to photographs.

I ponder such things as what does a sunset sound like and what is the sound of darkness? Some museums have added sound sculptures, usually a room full of speakers, each producing a different sound. I first heard of sound sculpture in San Francisco where an audio artist placed microphones along the buoys in San Francisco Bay and the resulting sound was heard on speakers in a nearby building.

One of the exercises I give to students is to take a thirty-minute walk around campus and write down all the sounds you hear. They learn the difference between hearing and listening. Listening takes effort. Some of the assignments handed back to me are stories that result from sounds they hear. At the seminar, I played a number of sounds and asked members of the audience to write down any words that come to mind. It was an explosion of creativity. They wrote impressions, memories, poetry and the opening lines of a story or play.

Sound generates dollars. It's impossible to calculate the amount of money spent on devices that allow people to listen to sound: fancy stereo systems, CD's, the IPOD and all that goes with it. All because people want to listen to sound.

Letter to Editor,

To the Citizens of Mitchell County... Monday you will begin electing four individuals to serve you as Mayor and City Council members for the next two years. There are nine individuals in the race, four incumbents and five challengers.

Upon reading this, some will say I am against the challengers. This is not true. I know and have worked with two of the new candidates. I am acquainted with one of the others. I feel sure we can all work together for the good of Colorado City.

Others will say that I am trying to replace the existing Council members. Again, that is not the case. The members up for re-election are experienced and well qualified. I consider them friends. We have diverse backgrounds. We have had our differences. We have had harsh words. We have, in our own way, the best interest of our City at heart. Progress, while slow, is being made.

The following are just some of the difficult issues your council has had to face and resolve since I joined four years ago. Yes, we have, painfully, incurred some major expenses, which we did not want to make. Some members wanted to wait (again) to make these improvements. But the majority agreed they had to be faced head on, now. They are but examples of the challenges the new council will have to face during their term.

How did, or how would, your candidate measure up to each of these challenges?

New Police Station. The current station was evaluated and recommended for condemnation ten years ago. No action and little or no maintenance has been taken since. The roof is now falling in, water stands on the floor after a light rain, equipment must be covered nightly in case of inclement weather, mold and mildew are a constant threat to the health of our police force, etc. No wonder we have constant personnel turnover.

Main Sewer Lift Station. There are four large pumps in this station. Last year, only one was working and the brackets holding it in place were coming apart. We had no choice but to make major, expensive repairs to bring this facility back to serviceable condition. If we had not, it is possible our city could be without sewer service today.

The state has now directed that we provide emergency stand-by electric generation dedicated to this facility. This, of course, is to be at our expense.

Water Towers. Two new water towers are in the planning stages. The state has told us to either remove and replace the two north of 17th Street and east of Walnut or remove all lead paint from them. Cost of the two alternatives is almost the same. We chose replacement in two locations so that we would have new, long life units rather than two old units that would have to be replaced within a few years. Paint removal now, followed quickly by replacement would, in effect, double the cost to you. We chose money now; not money now and more money later.

One tower will be at the same location as the existing facilities. With the Wallace standpipe and tower in the Loraine well field pipeline, satisfactory pressure will be maintained in town.

The second tower will be located on city property in the north part of town. It will provide essential pressure for the new motels and the existing commercial sites along I-20, while stabilizing pressure in the north part of town. It will also provide service for future development along I-20.

Yes, projects of this type take money. Lots of money. In fact, we have borrowed some \$2.1 million and have another \$6 million (in loans and grants) in the works to accomplish these projects, among others. Yes, loans have to be repaid through taxes and other revenues. But, the additional tax base, and other revenues, from businesses and housing we will attract with these improvements will more than offset the expenditures being made. In fact, some projections show tax decreases and other revenue increases on the horizon.

Regretfully, we had to remove our water well field near Loraine from the wind farm project being developed there. One person, who is leasing land from the city, could not come to terms with the city regarding access. As a result, the city will not receive some \$50,000 annually over the next fifty years. This non-tax revenue could have been dedicated, in whole or in part, to our parks, cemetery, the RV campground in Ruddick Park or reconfiguring the land fill to promote recycling.

One area that we must address in the very near future is employee retention. We hire new individuals at minimum or near minimum wage. We train them for a year or more, help them get state required licenses, as appropriate, and then they move to a neighboring town for a substantial wage increase. We cannot continue to be a training ground for area cities. We must establish a wage scale that will attract and retain qualified individuals. This will increase costs initially, but will reduce costs over time.

When preparing to vote, keep in mind YOUR city council must look at each issue on its own merit, evaluate it objectively, and act accordingly to the best interest of the city as a whole, setting personal desires and impacts aside. This is not easy, especially when projects of personal concern and special interest groups must be delayed. It can be very difficult when friends want to 'second guess' your logic over coffee.

Ask the candidates: "why are you running?" "Are you one of those recruited to run by a recent mayor?" "What is your personal agenda, the projects you want to implement?" "Where do you see our city in 10, 15 or 25 years?" "What will you do to place the city on the road to reach these milestones?" "Do you plan to be here to see them through?" Press for specific answers, not generalities.

Why did the challengers attend only one council meeting (April 14) after they announced their candidacy? Why did they not attend the budget workshop? One would think that someone who wants to guide the city would want to get a feel for what is going on before assuming the reins.

Now, ask yourself: "Which candidates demonstrate they are FOR the city of Colorado City, my hometown/where I live?" Your honest answer should be your choice of candidates. Stance on one or two pet issues is not enough.

As a dear friend, Syl Monks, once told a resident of Hurst, TX during a heated council discussion, "If you did not vote, you cannot complain about the actions being taken!"

Become informed. Express yourself. Retain your voice. VOTE!

Through your vote, may the blessings of Heaven rest upon each of us and all citizens of Colorado City. May every moral and social virtue cement us. Amen.

Robert D. Brooks
Council Member, District 6

Letter to editor,

I certainly appreciate your running the article about Loraine ISD's windfall concerning the Chapter 313 agreement that the district has put into place with the companies that have or are building wind generation in our district. I wish to have the opportunity to clarify a couple of facts:

The figures that the comptroller's office has provided were based on the agreements and do not necessarily reflect the actual taxable values of the wind towers as they went on the tax roll. The comptroller's office does not include any figures or adjustments should the companies that are currently building not put in place all the wind towers as they are proposed.

Loraine has 83 wind towers that are currently in place and on the tax rolls. These towers are in an agreement that will cap their value beginning in 2011 and lasting for 8 years. At the end of those 8 years, the towers will come back on the tax rolls at what will be their value at that time. During the 8 years that they are capped, under the Chapter 313 agreement that the district has entered into, the district will continue to receive a share through a direct contribution to the district from the wind company on monies that they have saved during that time by being capped. This is the only type of agreement that a school district may enter into and is the only way a school district may cap the tax values, unlike the city or county which has a different method to provide incentives to business that are locating with in their jurisdictions.

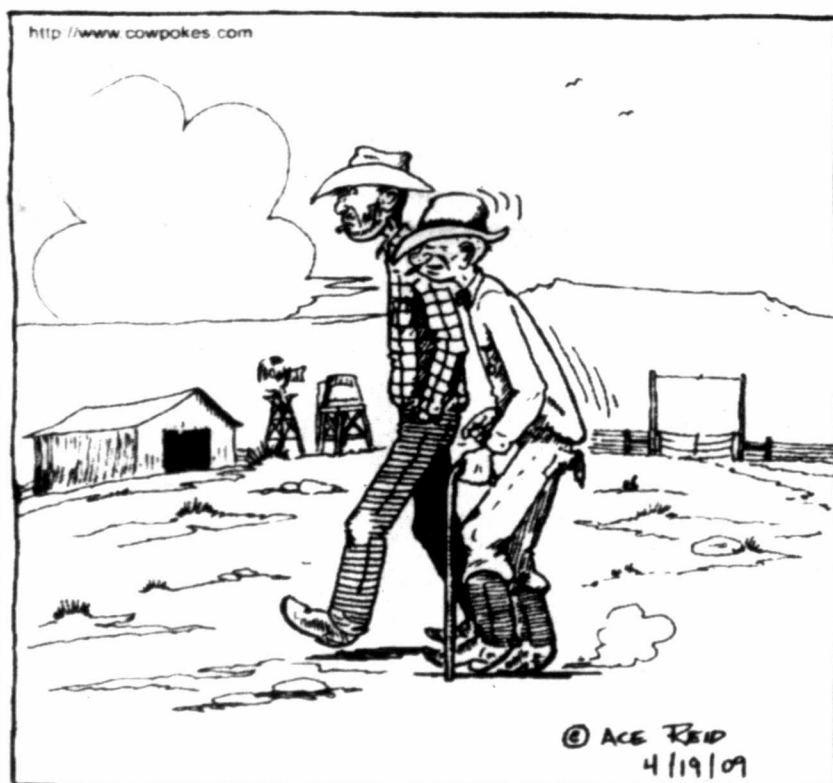
So, while technically the paper is correct that Loraine ISD will receive up to \$15.2 million dollars, it would be nice to clarify that the school district will not receive all these monies at one time but over a ten year period beginning in 2011. One of the main concerns that the state has about these type of payments to districts is that they are currently not subject to the states recapture law for schools. This is one reason that so much press is suddenly showing up about these 313 agreements. For our readers in Mitchell County, I wish to remind them that the Loraine ISD has historically been a district that has depended upon state aid to survive because our tax base did not provide enough income by itself. With these agreements or without them, these wind farms are here and are being built. They will be taxed and those taxes will benefit the Loraine ISD and make us more self sustaining and less dependent on state aid which ebbs and flows depending on our states budget.

Our two sister districts in the county have over the years had somewhat better fortune due to their higher values with minerals and power plants. We have been given the opportunity under current state law to sign agreements with these wind companies. We have not tried to hide this fact. We have been required to have public meetings, we have been required by law to have the State Comptroller's office sign off on these agreements. There has been much more oversight than the news accounts have let on. While we do not disagree with the article as published in any way, I would like the opportunity to give a more accurate picture of how these monies are indeed a windfall for the Loraine ISD.

Eric Stoddard
Loraine Superintendent

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LOCAL NEWS

BUDGET

for funds to the historic preservation of downtown buildings," said Graham.

Under the old agreement, the city received \$30,000 from the county with the stipulation that the city would provide the county with one free day at the landfill monthly.

The fourth Saturday in May will be the last free day the city provides.

"This does not apply to the KCCB biannual city-wide clean-up days in April and October," said Graham.

Council members reassured Cecilia Scott that the city would continue to support the Main Street program and commended Scott for the work being accomplished downtown.

General fund capital expenditures and improvements for 2009 total \$97,800 and include software for minutes recording for city hall, \$15,000; a police car, \$18,500 (to be split with drug forfeiture funds); radios for the fire department (grant will reimburse city), \$23,000; economic development, \$10,000 and various departmental equipment.

RODEO

the various events.

A brisk wind kept the 400 spectators in attendance comfortable and the cattle spooked making it tough for the cowpunchers during the team penning competition.

Bar 3 Bar rider Bo Preston took a tumble over the arena fence during the penning event. "She (the horse) was just a little nervous. It was her first time in the arena," said Preston. Bar 3 Bar breeds 'em tough. Preston was back on a horse for the Hide Ride event a few minutes later. He also won the Hard Luck Cowboy award and \$100 donated by Terry and Carolyn Redwine for his true grit. The Redwines made the

"Our employees and equipment are our best assets," Graham said regarding the 3% salary increase effective November 2009 based on October evaluations and available funds.

"You've got to re-invest in your employees," he said.

Plans for a ladder truck for the

BUILD

strumental in introducing us to various people. After the information gathering, it seems the market out here was pretty strong."

Presley, who has been in heavy construction and the oil field industry since he built his first cable tool sputter oil well with his dad at nine years of age, feels the market is wide open for construction in West Texas.

Greenery has opened shop along I-20 east of Wood's Boots, brought in heavy equipment and has plans to purchase more property and bring in more equipment.

"There are three areas we're indulging in," said Presley, "new construction with the wind farms, new construction of any-

fire department were put on hold due to lack of funds in this year's budget.

The council also approved a month by month lease agreement with Brian Bassham for the Main Street office and approved pursuing options on locating a new office building.

thing in general, but our primary focus is on maintenance of wind farms."

"New construction will slow down, but maintenance is a long term deal," he said and Greenery plans to be on the job clearing right of ways, maintaining grounds and roads, changing rotary blades and gear boxes.

The company is also looking at being involved with setting up the new transmission lines and working with TxDOT on road improvements this fall.

"Services demand services and housing and we'll be addressing that, as well," said Presley. Greenery plans to purchase 94 acres west of town for future home base, offices, shop yard and hous-

VOTING

Ina Vay McAdams will face challenger Jeff Wooddell.

Incumbent city council members Shirley Kendall and Susan Sanchez face challengers Richard Alvarez and Billy Kelly for the open seats.

Voters must be able to provide one form of identification, either a voter's registration card or

driver's license, according to city secretary Donna Madrid.

Newly registered voters who will be voting for the first time must provide two forms of identification; such as voter's registration card, driver's license, a personal identification card issued by DPS, birth certificate, photo name badge from place of employment, current utility bill showing voter's name and address, passport, government paycheck or other government document showing voter's name and address, current bank statement, or any papers that show U.S. citizenship.

KNIFE

The suspect was arraigned before the justice of the peace on Wednesday, April 15 and bond set at \$20,000.

"Ninety percent of assaults are alcohol related," said Detective Davis, who also said the number of assault cases the department is handling is normal for this time of year.

"If you registered by mail and did not provide a form of ID when you registered, then the voter registrar will require you to show two forms of ID," Madrid said. "With no ID, your vote will not count."

Election officials also attended training last week on curbside voting. During election day, May 9 curbside voting will be provided. Voters who are unable to enter the polling place can have someone inside to ask an election official to come to the car.

"If they need to make special arrangements for early voting, they can call city hall at 728-3464," Madrid said.

CLEANUP

Coffee and doughnuts were served at 8 a.m. before volunteers start assisting with pickup and unloading. "Volunteers are welcome and needed," Reilly said. Lunch will be served for all workers at the All Saints Episcopal Church at noon.



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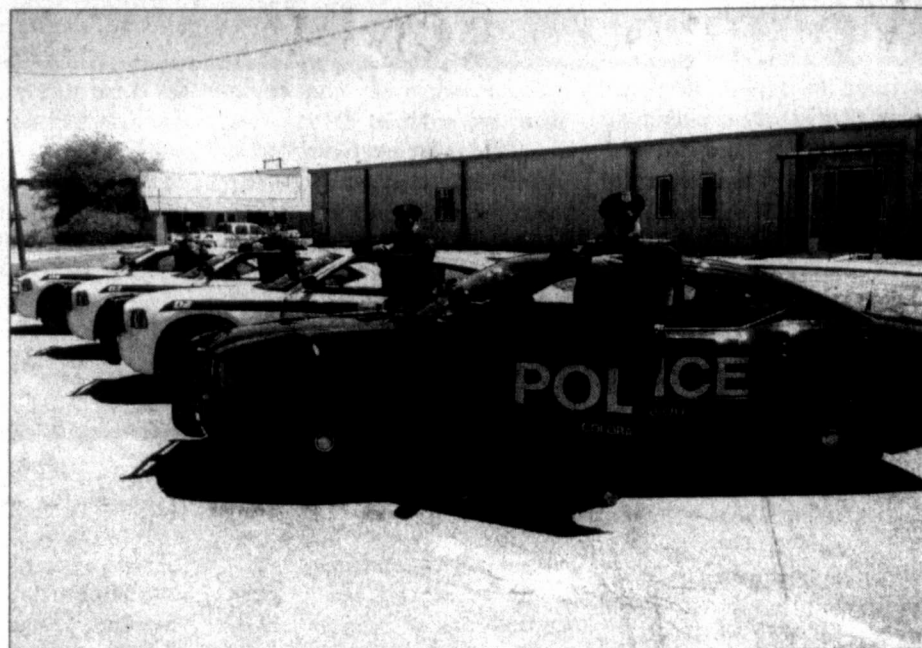
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LOCAL NEWS



(RIGHT) GRAND MASTER W David Counts Jr. Speaks at a Cornerstone ceremony at Mitchell County Hospital on April 21. Other members: (L-R) Grand Senior Warden, Al Alexandre; Grand Tiler, Dwayne Bearden; Deputy Grand Master, JT Duke; Grand Orator, Jerry Martin; Grand Master, W David Counts, Jr.; and Grand Chaplain, Steve Pepper. (Photo courtesy of Erika K. Cloutier)

(LEFT) COLORADO CITY Police Department attended a cornerstone ceremony at the new police station on April 21. (Front-Back) Lieutenant Hale, Sergeant Bivens, Officer Barry, Detective Davis. (Photo courtesy of Chris Cloutier)



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Connell to be honored as museum founder

By Amie Wood
Heart of West Texas
Museum Director

The Heart of West Texas Museum proudly gives honor to a few of the patrons who have made an impact on the museum and community. Each of these individuals is recognized not only for their immeasurable contributions, but also for their spirit, generosity and forethought. This week we will be featuring Liz Connell.

Elizabeth Connell was a Texan's Texan. Born in 1910, her contributions have been seen throughout Texas. As a pioneer settler in this area, a rancher's wife and then a rancher herself, after her husband's death, she was appointed by Texas Governor Preston Smith to the Board of Directors of the Ranching Heritage Museum in 1960.

The board started with an empty 30 acre parcel of land and a handful of dynamic people like Liz whose knowledge, attention to detail and insistence on perfection has made this "living" museum the success it is today. She continued to maintain her ranch until 1990 when opportunity came in

the form of a move to Colorado City with an invitation to set up the Colorado City Museum in its new location. Accepting the challenge, she closed the museum for repairs while she cleaned, fixed, catalogued items and set them up in exhibit form in a matter of months. Along with a large staff of volunteers, she also managed several fund raising events such as fashion shows, luncheons, evening receptions and rummage sales.

In 1991, the museum received recognition from the Texas Historical Commission as the perfect example of what a small museum can accomplish given its natural resources and the good will of its community. Liz was invited to the commission's convention to speak on the subject. She was an ongoing and active member and contributor to The National Ranching Heritage Museum, serving on the board for many years. She was also a member of the Alpha Study Club in Snyder. Daugh-

ters of the American Revolution and was elected as the Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year in 1991. She enjoyed sewing and designing clothes and textile decorations such as table cloths and loved to plan and host events.

The Heart of West Texas Museum is indebted to those who believed in the preservation of our historical heritage and the well-being of the community.

We are proud of the museum's foundation and history. To honor those whose lives have shaped the past, present and future, we will be dedicating rooms in the museum to our founders on April 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. as a permanent symbol of our great appreciation.

The honorees are Harry Ratliff, Lewis Elliott, Preston Burchard, Virginia Fuller and Liz Connell. Family members of the honorees will be present to share stories. We encourage you to be a part of our ever growing family of members and join us for this event. Member-



Liz Connell

ships start as low as \$5.00 and come with many benefits such as invitations to social events and informative and interesting newsletters. Please contact The Museum for more information. The exhibits will be open to the public Saturday, April 25th.

Board promotes child abuse awareness

The Mitchell County Child Welfare Board promoted Child Abuse Awareness during April by handing out flyers and pencils to local school children.

The board handed out over 1800 flyers and pens and pencils to Mitchell County children and teachers in Loraine, Westbrook and Colorado City in an effort to help make parents aware of the problem of child abuse.

"We want to get the word out to parents, children and teachers that April is Child Abuse Awareness month," said Janet Mayo, chairman of the local welfare board.

Pencils with tips on internet safety to help students beware of



PROMOTING CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS, Janet Mayo (center) presents Mary Smith and Denise Farmer (left to right) with flyers for stress free parenting for area school children.

predators, esteem boosters and flyers on 10 Tips for Stressless Parenting were handed out. "We

want parents to be aware that these items are coming home with the students in their homework folder this week," said Mayo.

Anyone who suspects child abuse or neglect can report it by calling the hotline number at 1-800-252-5400.

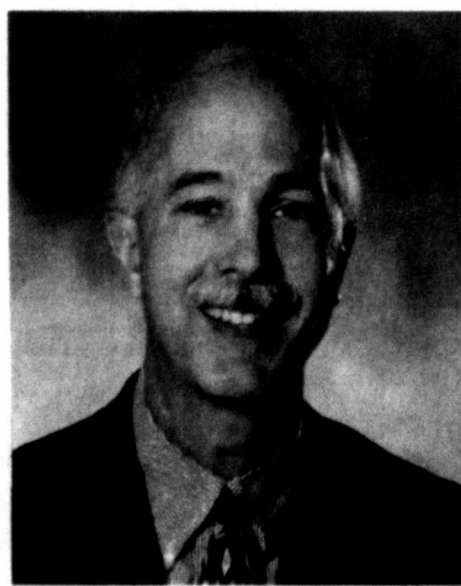
"None of the information comes back to us," said Mayo. "We're just the go between for the county commissioners and Child Protective Services. We provide the extra things for children in foster care or under CPS care."

Board members are Janet Mayo, chairman; Eva Salinas, secretary; Nikki Shiller, treasurer; Brenda Kelley, Debbie Everett, Mary Smith, Kay Fite and Debi Mace.

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EDUCATION:

- * Medical School at University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, TX
- * Internal Medicine Residency at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN
- * Internal Medicine Residency at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas, Texas
- * Fellowship in Cardiovascular Disease at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas, Texas

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SOCIETY

Volunteers get bikes ready for summer

Volunteers met at the First Presbyterian Church last weekend to repair and clean bikes, patching holes in tubes, cleaning and lubing chains and adjusting brakes.



Deborah Lambert and Justin Dominguez

Engagement announced

Deborah Lambert and Justin Dominguez, both of Clayton, New Mexico, would like to announce their engagement and upcoming wedding.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Jeff and Viola Lambert of Hobbs, New Mexico.

The groom-to-be is the son of Jessie and Sue Ann Dominguez of Artesia, New Mexico, and the grandson of Ramon Dominguez and the late Candelaria Dominguez and Joan Beach and the late Roy Beach, of Colorado City.

The couple plans to marry on May 9, 2009, at 6 p.m. in a double-ring ceremony at Mountain Annie's in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

The bride-to-be graduated from high school in 1996 and received her Bachelor's degree in Criminology in 2006 from the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque. She is employed with the North East New Mexico Detention Facility in Clayton as Records Manager.

The groom-to-be graduated from high school in 2002. He is employed with the Geo Group Inc. as the Security Threat Intelligence Unit Coordinator of the North East New Mexico Detention Facility in Clayton.

long before we were scheduled to begin. People brought bikes by the truckloads," said Dana Mayfield, pastor of First Presbyterian Church.

Bike mechanics Brian Mayfield, Lynn Jones, Tom Scott, Tommy Meeks, Charles Walker, Mark Merrell, Richard Arthur and Bob Steckert replaced over 50 tubes and helped give out 20 bicycle helmets to children who promised to wear them when they ride their bikes. The repairs continued until 7:30 p.m. on Sunday and two volunteers worked overtime on Monday to insure all bikes were repaired.

"I absolutely loved watching these men work on the kids' bikes. They carefully replaced, patched, and repaired. Their focus at all times was on the safety of the children," said

Mayfield. "When somebody's tires were too damaged to just stick a new tube in them, these men gave the family a tube, told them to get a new tire, and then gave out a phone number to call for help once they got the tire. They went above and beyond what they had to do! At the end of the day, one of the men said, "we may have just fixed the bike of the next Lance Armstrong." And he just might be right!"

Additional volunteers Andrea Steckert, Carl Ramsey, George Hazle, Carolyn Walker and Dana Mayfield helped with organization or baking cookies and brownies. An officer from the Colorado City Police Department was on hand to answer questions about cycling in the city.



COAXING A CHAIN back on the derailler at the First Presbyterian Spring Bike Cleanup last weekend are Brian Mayfield and Lynn Jones (left to right).



RICHARD ARTHUR AND MARK MERRELL team up to finish the repairs on a bike during the Spring Bike Cleanup at First Presbyterian Church. (Photos courtesy of Dana Mayfield.)



MITCHELL COUNTY 4-H members Kalynn Hardegree (left) and Allison Torres (right), seen here with Mitchell County Extension Agent-SCS Mary McMullen, competed in the District 2 4-H Fashion Show recently. Hardegree placed 1st in Recycled & Embellished Garment in the Intermediate Division and, as a first time participant, placed 3rd with her Fashion Design Apparel Portfolio. Torres also did well, placing 3rd in Buying Casual and 3rd with her Fashion Design Apparel Portfolio in the Junior Division. The show was a first for Torres.

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HAPPY EASTER MEANS an old fashioned egg hunt at the Plainview Church of Christ of Colorado City. Malia Epperson (above) and Taylor Epperson (below) show off their collection. The candy-egg search was held in the fellowship hall because of the welcome rainy weather.



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SCHOOL NEWS

Hutchinson students of the week named



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK were named at Hutchinson Elementary. They are (l-r) Tamren Pierce, Jordan Smith and Nina Calhoon.

Students of the Week at Hutchinson Elementary are Tamren Pierce, Jordan Smith and Nina Calhoon.

Tamren, daughter of Shawn and Lori Prine, is a third grader in Mrs. Jones' class. She enjoys spending time with her dog, Spice, and math is her favorite subject. Her favorite thing about Hutchinson is the computer lab.

Jordan, a fourth grader in Mrs. Godina's class, is the daughter of Paul and Missy Smith. Her hobby is reading, and she enjoys spending time with her cat, Tippy. Reading is her favorite subject, and P.E. is her favorite thing about her school.

Nina, daughter of Roy Calhoon, is a fifth grader in Mrs. Stone's class. She enjoys spending time with her dog, Little Foot, and reading is her favorite subject. She really likes that "everyone gets along with each other" at Hutchinson Elementary.

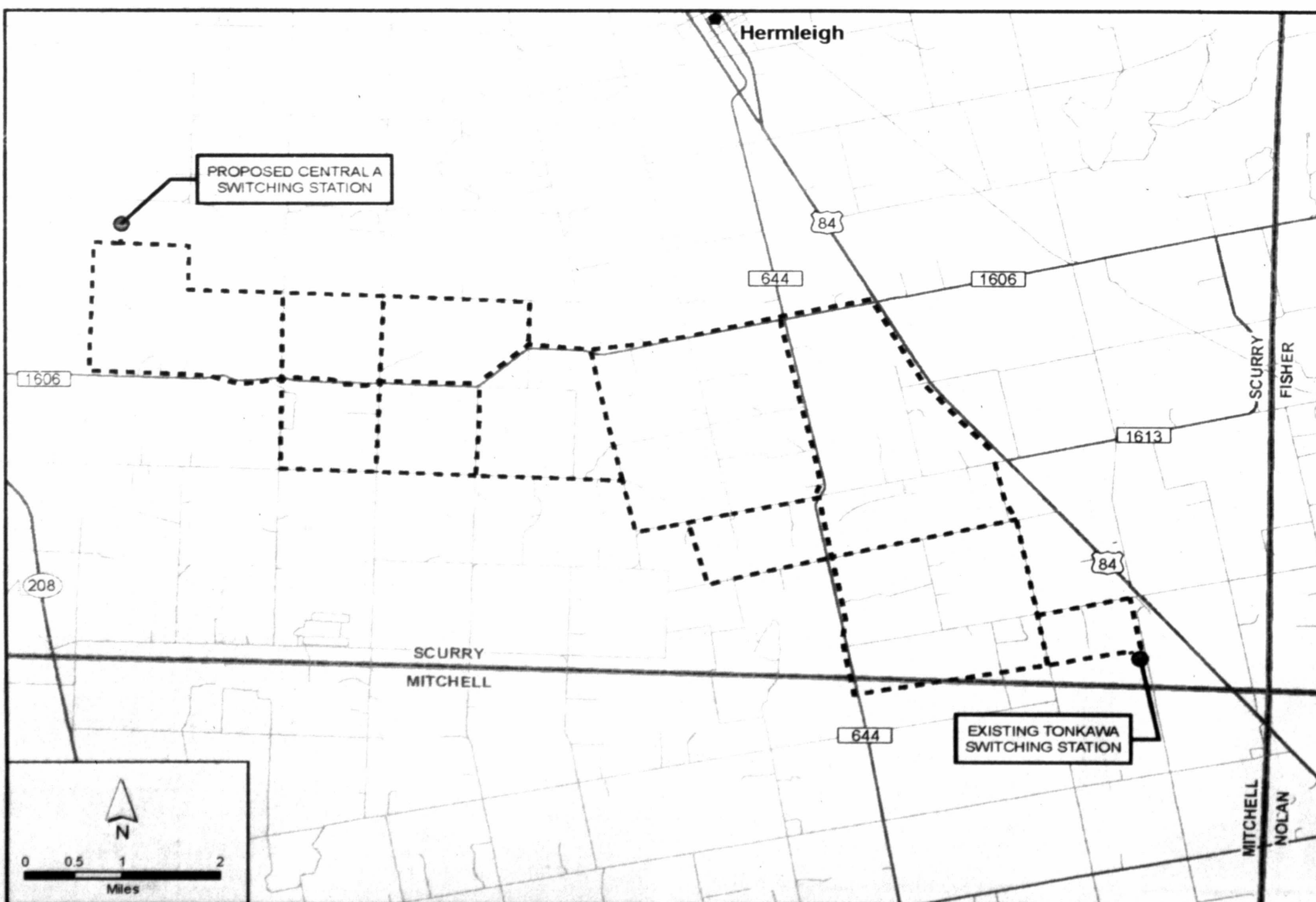
NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CENTRAL A – TONKAWA 345 KV TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

MEETING LOCATION

TUESDAY
APRIL 28, 2009
4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE VISITOR'S CENTER
6200 COLLEGE AVENUE
SNYDER, TEXAS 79549

Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC (Oncor) is proposing to construct a new 345 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line in Scurry County. The proposed transmission line will be approximately 12 miles long, depending upon the route certificated by the Public Utility Commission of Texas. The proposed transmission line will connect the proposed Central A Switching Station (to be located south of County Road 486 and east of State Highway 208) to the existing Tonkawa Switching Station (located west of County Road 4153 and south of County Road 4196) in Scurry County, Texas (see associated map).

Oncor is committed to routing the proposed transmission line in a manner consistent with the values of the local communities, the Texas Utilities Code, and the Public Utility Commission of Texas rules and policies. The project has been recommended by the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) to ensure continued safe and reliable electric service to the State in light of increased integration of electric energy generated by wind production facilities. Completion of the project will enable the new transmission system to efficiently move wind-generated power to market and will add capacity to the entire system. In support of the routing process, Oncor is holding a public open house meeting to solicit input for use in determining the preferred route for the proposed transmission line and to share information about line routing alternatives. HDR Engineering (HDR), a consulting firm retained by Oncor for the project, has identified preliminary alternative transmission line routes for consideration which are shown as dashed lines on the associated map. Maps with greater detail will be exhibited at the meeting. Individuals attending this "come and go" open house meeting will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments to representatives and technical experts from Oncor and HDR regarding the routing of the proposed transmission line. These preliminary alternative routes are subject to modification based on information received at this public meeting and further study. If you have any questions concerning this meeting, please contact Martha Henson at 214-486-7334.



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SCHOOL NEWS



Taylor (left) and Rachel Beckmeyer recently visited the Capitol in Austin. While there, they were recognized at the Austin Home School Rally and by the House of Representatives.

Beckmeyers honored at Austin Home School Rally Apr. 7th

Taylor and Rachel Beckmeyer participated in Capitol Days, which is sponsored by the Texas Home School Coalition on March 4, in Austin. Together with students from across the state, they enjoyed a fun and memorable training session on how a bill becomes a law and on proper lobbying procedures. The Beckmeyers then had hands-on experience as they went to the Capitol and met and lobbied nine legislators on House Bill 2084 0 the (Texas Parental Rights Restoration Act). After completing an 80-page unit study on good citizenship, they were recognized at the April 7th Austin Home School Rally and by the House of Representatives in a House Resolution for their accomplishments. The Beckmeyers are students of The New American School located in Richmond, Texas. They are the children of John and Teresa Beckmeyer.

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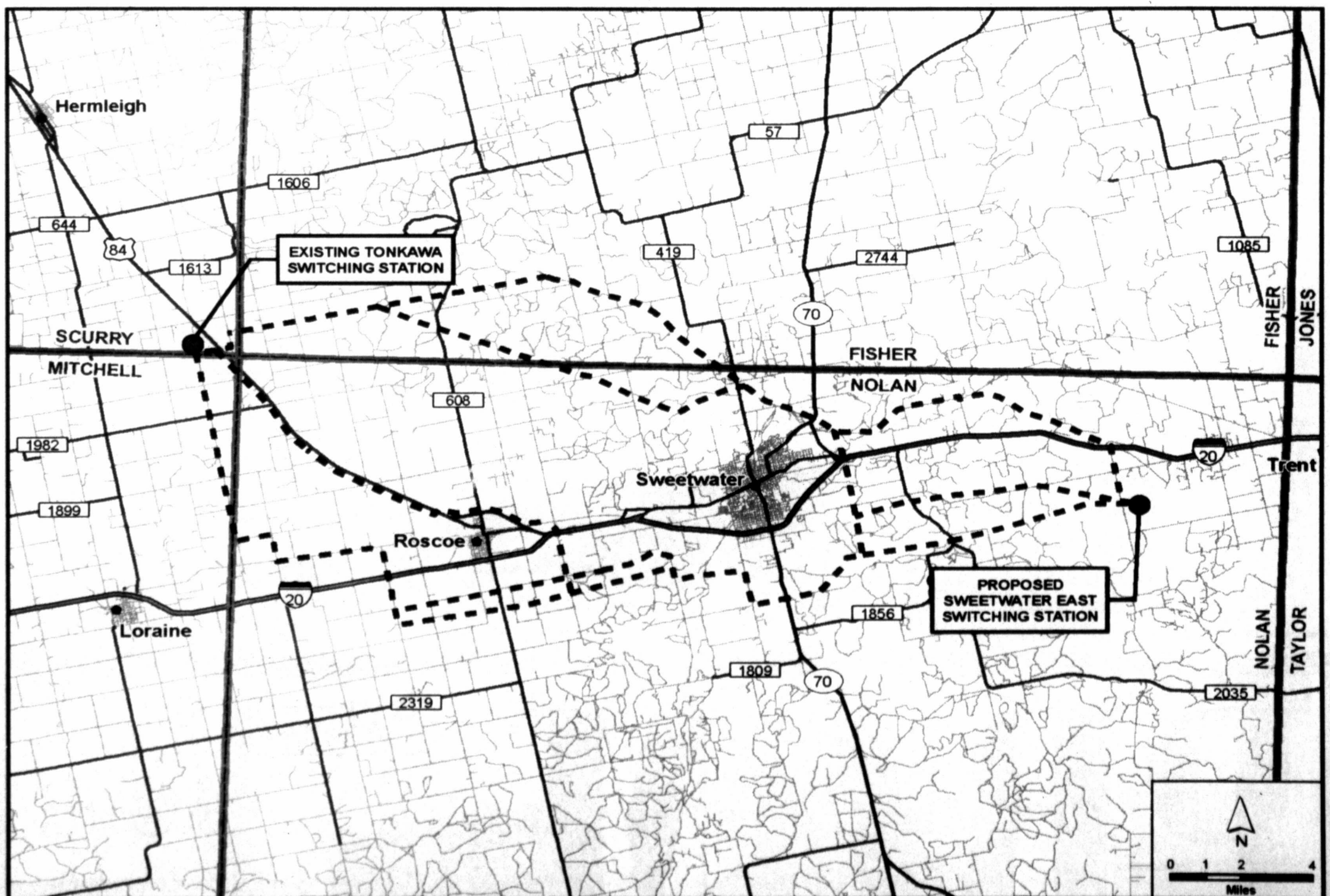
NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED TONKAWA – SWEETWATER EAST 345 KV TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

MEETING LOCATION

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 29, 2009
4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
NOLAN COUNTY COLISEUM ANNEX
1699 CYPRESS STREET
SWEETWATER, TEXAS 79556

Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC (Oncor) is proposing to construct a new 345 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line in Scurry and Nolan Counties, Texas. The proposed transmission line will be approximately 28 miles long, depending upon the route certificated by the Public Utility Commission of Texas. The proposed transmission line will connect the existing Tonkawa Switching Station (located west of County Road 4153 and south of County Road 4196) in Scurry County to the proposed Sweetwater East Switching Station (to be located east of County Road 131 and north of County Road 130) in Nolan County (see associated map).

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Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC

SCHOOL NEWS



CHS COLOR GUARD FOR NEXT YEAR includes top row, (left to right), Tara Higgins, Macall Maddox, Megan Bullard, Inez Salinas, Valeria Vera, and Whitney Ortiz; kneeling, (left to right) Emma Leanos and Bethany Blassingame.



CHS TWIRLERS FOR NEXT YEAR ARE (left to right) K'Leigh Wallis, Kalea Hubbard, Sydney Upshaw, Alyssa Leverton, and Brittany Vasquez.

CHS band auxiliaries chosen for 2009-10 school year

Monday, April 6th, Colorado High School Band held annual Auxiliaries try-outs. These try-outs were for next year's Drum Majors, Color Guard, and Twirlers. More than 30 band students from 8th through 11th

grade came out for the try-outs. These students had been practicing in their respective areas since Spring Break, preparing for this try-out that began at 4:00 p.m. and ended around 9:00 p.m. They all worked very hard in

preparing and performing.

Next year's drum majors will be Meagan Montalvo, senior and Laura Warren, senior. Both girls were this year's drum majors as juniors. As seniors next year, they hope to lead the band all the way to state.

Next year's twirling line will include K'Leigh Wallis, sophomore; Kalea Hubbard, sophomore-captain; Sydney Upshaw, sophomore; Alyssa Leverton, freshman; and Brittany Vasquez, freshman.

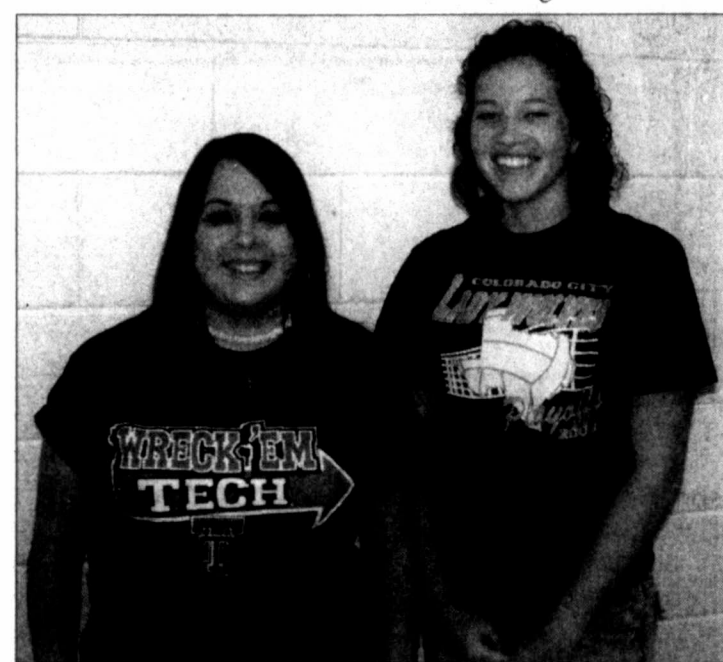
Next year's Color Guard will include Tara Higgins, sophomore; Macall Maddox, junior; Megan Bullard, sophomore; Inez Salinas, senior-captain; Valeria Vera, junior; Whitney Ortiz, freshman; Emma Leanos, junior; and Bethany Blassingame, sophomore.

"Congratulations to all these

fine students. They have worked hard to achieve these positions, and they will continue to work hard as they prepare for next year. In May, they will begin raising money for their upcoming camp and uniform costs by selling the annual "Pride Card," so please, support them in their efforts," said Band Director Darin Johns. "They all will be attending McMurry Band Camp July 12-18 and a camp at CHS July 20-24. We want to wish them good luck in their preparations."

"As the Pride of Wolf Country Band winds up this Spring season, they want to invite everyone in the community to their final concert of the year," said Johns. The concert at the Railhead Building will be held on May 21st at 6 pm. The concert will feature all C.I.S.D.

bands: 6th grade Beginner School Band, High School Jazz Band, 7-8th Grade Middle Band, and High School Band.



CHS DRUM MAJORS for the 2009-2010 school year are (left to right) Meagan Montalvo and Laura Warren.

SCHOOL MENUS

Colorado ISD Head Start

Breakfast Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Tuesday - oatmeal, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Wednesday - breakfast bites, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Thursday - Cream of Wheat, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Friday - sausage, toast, chilled juice, milk.

Colorado ISD Head Start

Lunch Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - chicken sticks, potato wedge, green beans, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday - spaghetti with meat sauce, sweet peas, Texas toast, crushed pineapple, milk.

Wednesday - hot dog on a bun, pork n beans, orange pieces, milk.

Thursday - grilled ham and cheese sandwich, potato salad, peas, milk.

Friday - PB&J sandwich, veg soup, mixed fruit, milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.

Breakfast Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - dry cereal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - breakfast bites, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - morning roll, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - pancake pup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - egg & potato burrito, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Kelley & Hutchinson Elem.

Lunch Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - hot dog on a bun, tater tots, pickle spears, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday - chicken tetrazzini, golden corn, garlic toast, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - Texican mac and cheese, green beans, Texas toast, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Thursday - beef & cheese chalupe, refried beans, tossed salad, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday - wolf burgers, lettuce cup, fries, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Colorado Middle School

Breakfast Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - dry cereal, biscuit, oatmeal, toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - dry cereal, biscuit, morning roll, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - dry cereal, biscuit, pancake on a stick, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Colorado High School

Breakfast Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, French toast with syrup, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Wednesday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, oatmeal with toast, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, breakfast bites, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

Friday - dry cereal, biscuit, sausage & biscuit, biscuit & gravy, chilled fruit juice, choice of milk.

CMS & CHS

Lunch Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - pizza, fries, green beans, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Tuesday - Texican mac and cheese, sweet peas, Texas toast, fresh fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - BBQ chicken, potato salad, baked beans, hot roll, fruit, choice of milk.

of milk.

Thursday - chicken tetrazzini, glazed carrots, garlic bread, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Friday - hamburger on a bun, fries, lettuce cup, canned fruit, choice of milk.

Westbrook ISD

Breakfast Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - cinnamon roll, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - oatmeal, toast & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday - scrambled eggs, toast & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday - sausage, gravy, biscuit & jelly, cereal, fruit juice, milk.

Westbrook ISD

Lunch Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, chocolate pudding, milk.

Tuesday - pigs in a blanket, pinto beans, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk.

Wednesday - chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread sticks, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Thursday - meat & bean chalupe, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, rosie applesauce, milk.

Loraine ISD

Breakfast Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Tuesday - breakfast bagels, cereal, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - peanut butter sandwich, cereal, juice, milk.

Thursday - breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, milk.

Loraine ISD

Lunch Menu April 27 - May 1

Monday - spaghetti with meat, squash, green beans, strawberries with topping, toast, milk.

Tuesday - nachos, jalapenos, beans, corn, orange halves, milk.

Wednesday - baked chicken, sweet peas, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed fruit, bread sticks, milk.

Thursday - sausage links, BBQ sauce, baked beans, baby carrots, dressing, peaches, bread, milk.

101 Ways to Praise KIDS

In observance of Child Abuse Awareness Month, the Mitchell County Child Welfare Board would like to remind parents of the ways you can help build your child's self-esteem.

1. Talk with your children, not at them. Let them realize that you enjoy sharing conversations and time with them.
2. Give your love openly with your hugs, kisses and words.
3. Admit your mistakes and teach your children that everyone makes them and can learn from them.
4. Respect your children's differences from you and from each other.
5. Discipline with love and focus on the behavior, not the child.
6. Recognize your children's good decisions and point them out with special compliments.
7. Avoid put-downs, even as jokes. Children take them seriously.
8. Use phrases of praise such as "Great!", "You're Catching On", or "Nice Going!" Whether your praise is for a great achievement or for simply trying, your words will provide a firm foundation for future success.

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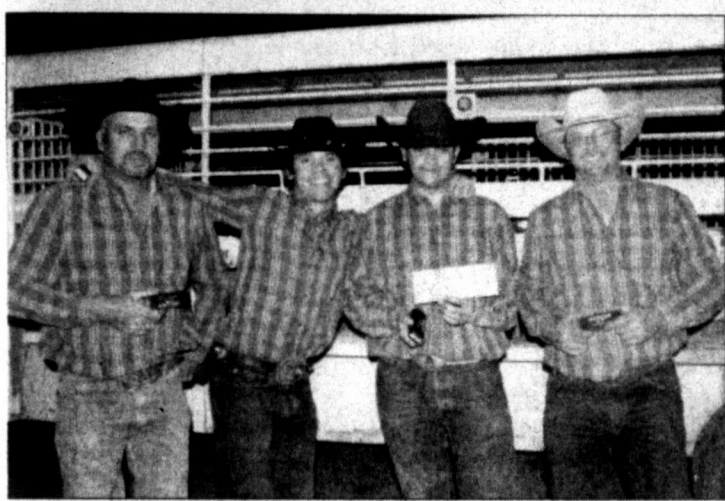
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LOCAL NEWS

Ranch Rodeo gives out \$6000 in cash and prizes



THE WINNER IS the E.C. Cattle Company of Lamesa with the most points at the 2009 Ranch Rodeo. Team Captain Nathan Carter, Ray Paul, Tray Paul and Kris Hubbard display their first place belt buckles. The team earned \$2,768 in prize money.



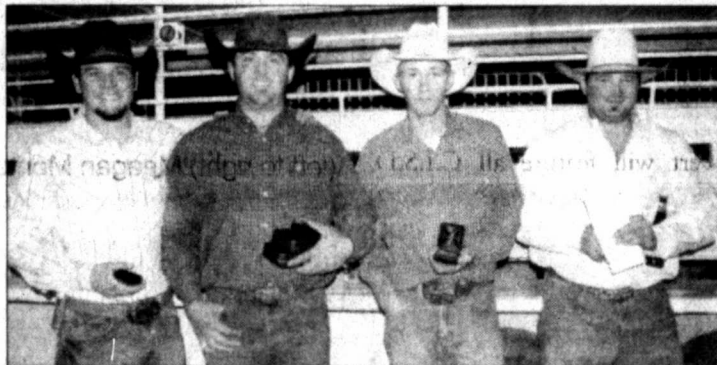
T. P. LIVESTOCK OF LAMESA took 2nd Place at the Ranch Rodeo held last Saturday. Ray Paul, Hagan Johnson, Team Captain Tray Paul and Kris Hubbard (left to right) received knives and \$2,064 in prize money.



WINNING THE TOP HAND award and belt buckle at the 2009 Ranch Rodeo was Nathan Carter of Midland.



TWO TIME WINNER – Jacob Muñoz receives a belt buckle as the 2009 champion Mutton Buster. Muñoz also won the title during the first year the event was held. (Photo courtesy of Lisa Wood)



O'BRIAN CATTLE COMPANY of Midland placed third in the 2009 Chamber of Commerce Ranch Rodeo held at Colorado City last Saturday. Receiving money clips and \$1,208 in prize money were Justin Smith, Nathan Carter, Ryan O'Donnell and Team Captain Jody O'Brian.

SPRING BASH

April 25, 2009 8 p.m. - 12 Midnight

Cricket Ballroom (formerly VFW)

Music by

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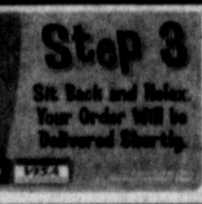
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SPORTS

Results from District 7AA JH track meet

The District 7AA junior high track meet was held at the Hollis Gayney Track in Wolf Stadium last Tuesday, April 4. Results are as follows:

Boys 7th grade

Garcia, 3rd, long jump
Gonzales, 5th, 2400m run
Sutton, 4th, high jump
Garcia, 1st, 800m run
Muñoz, 6th, 800m run
Thomas, 6th, 400m run
Garcia, 2nd, 200m dash
Sutton, 1st, 300m hurdles
Garcia, 1st, 1600m run
Huff, 3rd, 1600m run
4x200m relay, 6th
4x100m relay, 2nd

Girls 7th grade

Merket, 2nd, triple jump
Merket, 1st, high jump
Kimball, 6th, high jump
Arispe, 6th, 2400m run
Vasquez, 4th, 800m run
Franco, 5th, 800m run
Griffith, 5th, 110m hurdles
Merket, 1st, 400m run
4x400m relay, 5th
4x200m relay, 5th
Boys 8th grade
Jackson, 3rd, triple jump
Espinoza, 5th, shot put
Henderson, 1st, long jump
Jackson, 4th, long jump
Silva, 1st, 2400m run
Silva, 1st, 1600m run
Hernandez, 2nd, 110m hurdles
Jackson, 1st, 400m run
Hernandez, 3rd, 300m

hurdles

4x200m relay, 6th
Girls 8th grade
Messick, 6th, high jump
Gaona, 1st, discus
Leveron, 6th, discus
Gonzales, 6th, 2400m run
Gaona, 2nd, shot put
Luera, 6th, shot put
Sanchez, 5th, triple jump
Ortiz, 5th, 110m hurdles
Guazo, 3rd, 100m dash
Ortiz, 5th, 800m run
4x400m relay, 4th
4x200m relay, 4th
4x100m relay, 3rd
Team Standings
8th grade boys
1st, Wall, 168
2nd, Colorado City, 127
3rd, Coahoma, 115
4th, Ballinger, 99

5th, Jim Ned, 62
6th, Grape Creek, 44
8th grade girls
1st, Jim Ned, 214
2nd, Wall, 136
3rd, Ballinger, 87
4th, Grape Creek, 66
5th, Colorado City, 65.5
6th, Coahoma, 32.5
7th grade boys
1st, Wall, 194
2nd, Grape Creek, 106
3rd, Ballinger, 99
4th, Colorado City, 87
5th, Jim Ned, 85
6th, Coahoma, 44
7th grade girls
1st, Wall, 201
2nd, Jim Ned, 134
3rd, Ballinger, 130
4th, Coahoma, 67
5th, Colorado City, 52
6th, Grape Creek, 19

CHS golf team qualifies for regional

The Colorado High School golf team completed the district 7-AA tournament at Baird's Shady Oaks course last Friday and qualified for this week's regional meet with a second place finish. Wall won the district title

with a 641 stroke total while Nathan McCright led the Wolves to a runnerup score of 672. McCright shot 77 and 79 for a second place medalist score of 156. Also finishing in the top ten and winning

medalist honors were Nick Hart 80-83, 163 and Tyler Hammond 89-84, 171. Michael Mauldin's 89-83, 182 and Ashton Raschke's 103-117, 220 completed the Wolves' effort.

Loraine Bulldogs lose to Ira, Miles

The Loraine Bulldogs lost 2 baseball games last week, dropping a 12-2 game to Ira and losing to Miles, 14-1.

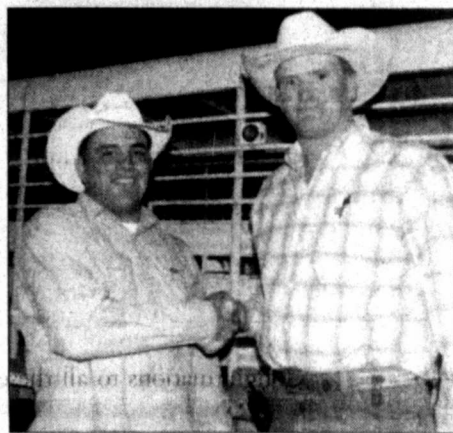
In the Ira game, Matthew Sanchez hit a two run homer for the 'Dogs only score of the

game. Jacob Sanchez pitched and did a good job, but Ira was able to put the ball over the infield for a lot of their hits.

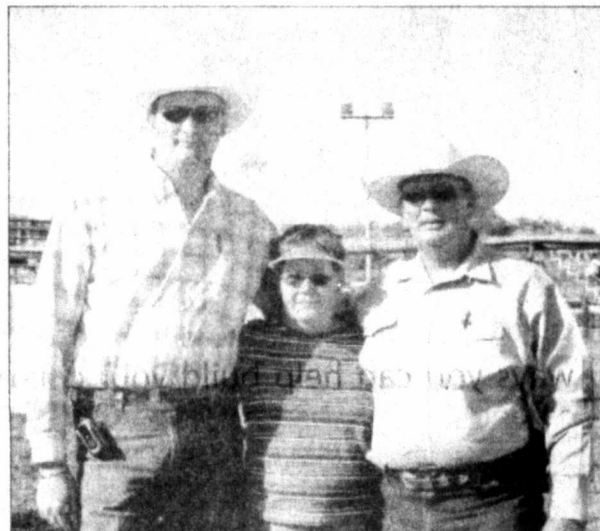
Against Miles, Sanchez did a good job of pitching through

the first 4 innings, allowing only 4 runs with 5 strikeouts.

"We're a young team and baseball is a tough sport to learn in a year. I'm proud of our guys that have stuck with it," said Coach Tino Silva.



HARD LUCK COWBOY – Bo Preston of the Bar 3 Bar gets a handshake and \$100 from Brodie Harris (left to right). Preston took a spill from his horse during the team penning event earning him the Hard Luck Cowboy award.



SWEETING THE POT – Brodie Harris receives a \$1,000 donation from MaryAnn and Matt Syler (left to right) of Colorado City for the overall rodeo prize money.

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SPORTS

C-City tracksters compete in District 7-AA track meet

Colorado High School sophomore J.C. Johnson led the 800 meter run from start to finish in winning the only gold medal for the Wolves at the District 7-AA track and field meet held at Ballinger last Friday. Colorado City qualified six boys and five girls for the Region I meet to be held at Odessa next week.

Johnson will be making a repeat trip to the regional meet after winning the district title with a 2:09.31 and also qualified with a relay team. Among other boys regional qualifiers, Jamarcus Brooks placed second in the shot with a put of 42'10", Frankie Atkinson took second in the discus with a silver medal toss of 112' 4-3/4" and the 1600 meter relay squad of Nick Reyna, Johnson, Richard Luera and Manuel Garza won bronze medals with a third place finish of 3:34.69. Garza turned in a fabulous anchor leg but was unable to completely close the gap.

On the girls' side, Laura Warren qualified for regional in three events while the top finisher was freshman Luran Meeks. Warren won individual third place medals in the triple jump (32' 10-3/4") and the 100 meter dash (13.40). Warren's strong anchor

leg pulled her 400 meter relay teammates of Meeks, Ashley Coronado and Lauren Munoz into a bronze medal finish of 53.68.

Meeks led the 200 meter dash coming out of the curve but was nipped at the finish line in a silver medal winning time of 28.97. "I just can't quit smiling," said Meeks after the race. "I hope I can make it to state. I was just thinking about giving it all you've got."

Representing the girls in the field events will be Ava Macedo who won third place in the shot put with a heave of 31'5". CHS will compete at a Roscoe regional qualifiers meet today beginning at 3:35 p.m.

VARSITY BOYS
Team-Wall 176, Ballinger 162, Grape Creek 103, Coahoma 74, Colorado City 65, Jim Ned 28.

3200 Meters-5. Jason Rodriguez 11:32.37

Long Jump-5. Richard Luera 18'5"

Shot Put-2. Jamarcus Brooks 42'10"; 5. Frankie Atkinson 41' 9-3/4"

High Jump-5. Matt Sowa 5'6"

Discus-2. Atkinson 112' 4-3/4"

400 Meter Relay-4. Nick Hart, Manuel Garza, Brooks, Luera 45.62

800 Meters-1. J.C. Johnson 2:09.31

400 Meters-6. Sam Williamson 57.47

300 Meter Intermediate Hurdles-4.

Hart 44.02
200 Meters-5. Johnson 24.18
1600 Meters-5. Rodriguez 5:16.78
1600 Meter Relay-3. Nick Reyna, Johnson, Luera, Garza 3:34.69

VARSITY GIRLS
Team-Wall 236, Grape Creek 123, Ballinger 94, Jim Ned 75, Colorado City 56, Coahoma 31

Long Jump-5. Laura Warren 14'10"

Shot-3. Ava Macedo 31'5"

High Jump-4. Michelle Billingsley 4'8"; 6. Amanda Arispe 4'6"

Discus-6. Macedo 83-3"

Triple Jump-3. Warren 32'10-3/4"

400 Relay-3. Ashley Coronado, Luran Meeks, Lauren Munoz, Warren 53.68

800 Meters-6. Valeria Vera 2:50.24

100 Meters-3. Warren 13.40

800 Relay-5. Meeks, Coronado, M. Billingsley, Warren 1:56.0

200 Meters-2. Meeks 28.97

1600 Meter Relay-5. Kayley Molina, Megan Bullard, Vera, M. Billingsley 4:44.0

JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS
Team-1. Ballinger 140, Colorado City 117, Wall 113, Grape Creek 100, Coahoma 93, Jim Ned 16

Discus-2. Ryan Rivera 104' 6-3/4"; 5. Christian McKinney 90' 6-1/2"

Long Jump-2. Tyler Lorenz 17'9"

Pole Vault-2. Derek Gainey 10'

Shot Put-3. Adam Gonzales 36' 3/4"

Triple Jump-1. Lorenz 38' 4-1/4"

3200 Meters-1. Joe Salazar 12:11.43

400 Relay-3. Lorenz, Gonzales, Colton Cannon, Gainey 47.90

800 Meters-2. Chris Madrid 2:20.81

100 Meters-5. Gonzales 11.96; 6. Aaron Mendoza 12.02

400 Meters-3. Lorenz 57.74

300 Hurdles-5. Mendoza 48.74

200 Meters-3. Gainey 25.79

1600 Meters-1. Madrid 5:28.42; 3. Salazar 5:31.90

1600 Meter Relay-3. Lorenz, Cannon, Madrid, Gainey 3:59.28

JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS
Team-1. Wall; 2. Colorado City 3200 Meters-1. Christina Arispe; Rebecca Perez 3rd

400 Relay-2nd Dylan Billingsley, Frankie Gaona, Olivia Ornelas, Ashli Cooper

100 Meters-5th Cooper; 6th Ornelas

800 Relay-2nd D. Billingsley, Gaona, Tara Higgins, Cooper

1600 meters-1st Arispe

Discus-1st Rebecca Perez; 5th D. Billingsley

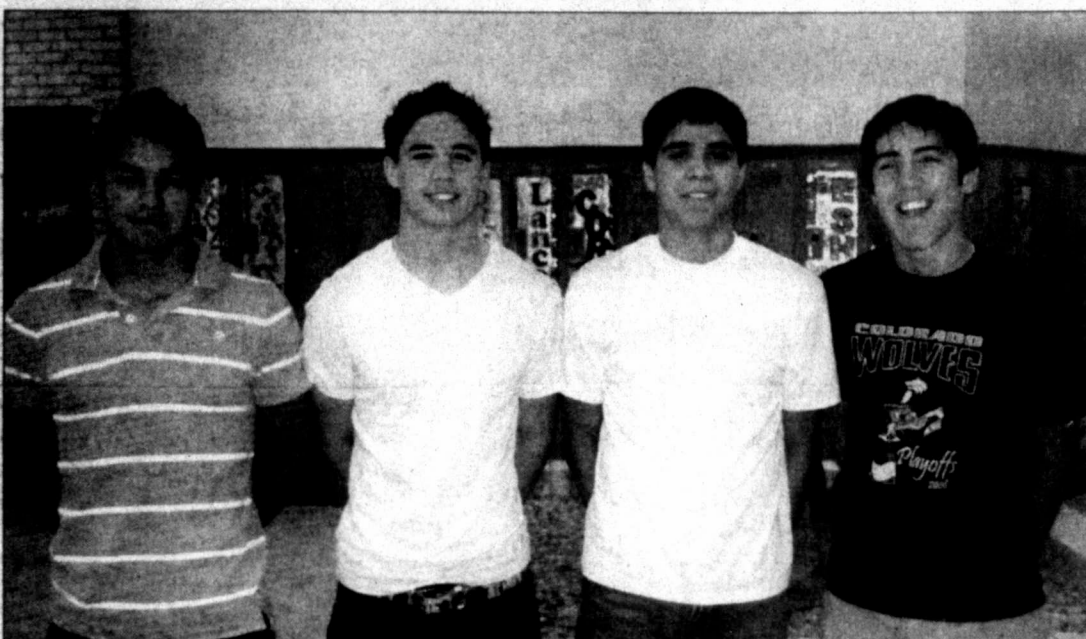
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Long Jump-1st Tara Higgins

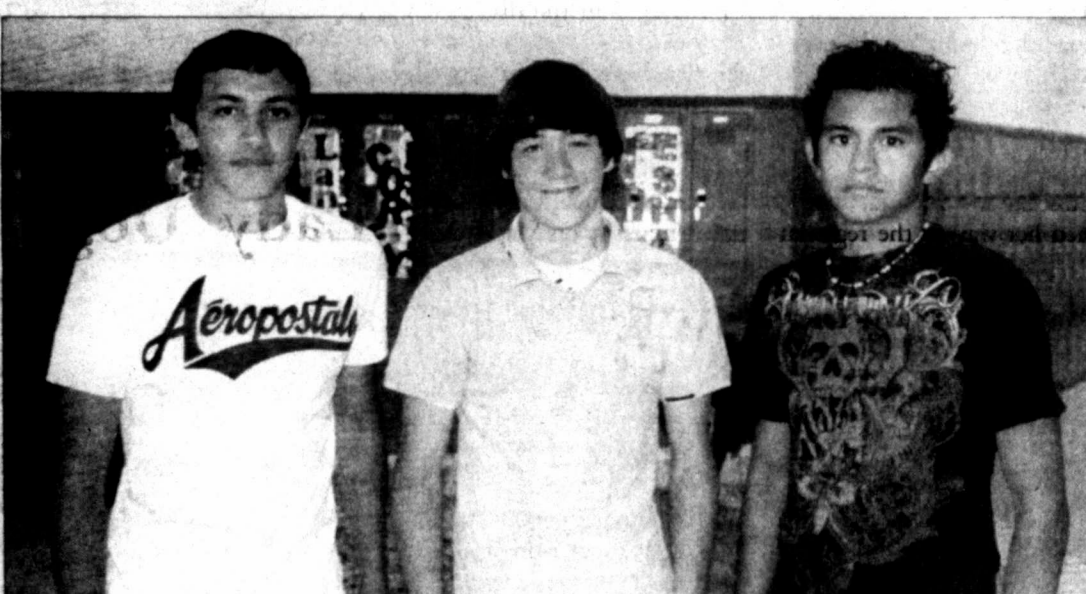
Triple Jump-3rd Higgins



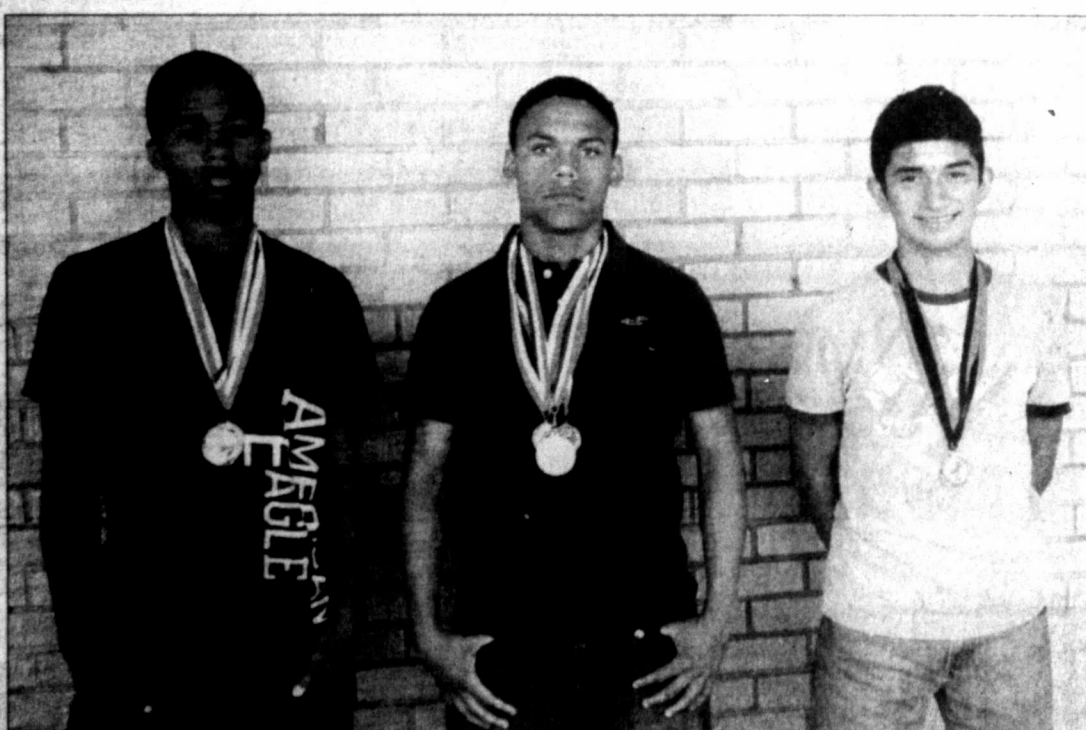
ADVANCING TO REGIONALS in track are: (l-r) J.C. Johnson, 1st in 800 m run; Frankie Atkinson, 2nd in discus; and Jamarcus Brooks, 2nd in shot put.



WINNING THIRD PLACE at the district track meet and advancing to regionals is the 1600 meter relay team. Members include: (l-r) Richard Luera, J.C. Johnson, Manuel Garza and Nick Reyna.



WINNING GOLD MEDALS for the Wolves JV track team at the district track meet last week in Ballinger were: (l-r) Chris Madrid, 1st in 1600m run; Tyler Lorenz, triple jump and Joe Salazar, 3200m run.



EIGHTH GRADE GOLD medal winners in the junior high district track meet held at Wolf Stadium last week were: (l-r) Mark Henderson, 1st in long jump; Nathan Jackson, 1st in 400m run; and Gustavo Silva, winning both the 1600m and 2400m run.



CMS TRACK ATHLETE Destyne Gaona won the discus and was 2nd in the shot put at last week's junior high district track meet.



WINNING GOLD MEDALS for the 7th grade at the district track meet last week were: (l-r) Doug Garcia, 1st in the 800m run and 1600m run and Heather Merket, 1st in the 400m run, 1st in high jump and 2nd in triple jump.

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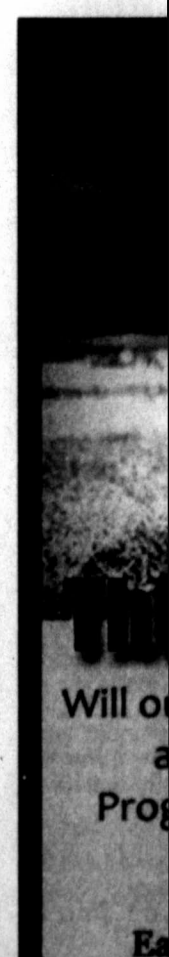
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SPORTS

Westbrook girls, boys place third and fifth at Water Valley

The junior high Westbrook Wildcats traveled to Water Valley on Friday, April 17th, to compete in the district track meet. The girls' team placed 3rd over-

all, and the boys' team placed 5th. Individual results follow. Kenzey Morris placed 1st in the long jump, 2nd in the triple jump, 1st in the 100m hurdles,

1st in the 300m hurdles, and 3rd in the 400m relay. Koe Alvarez placed 3rd in the high jump, 3rd in the discus, 3rd in the 400m relay, 4th in the 800m relay, and 4th in the 1600m relay.

Reanna Krapf placed 3rd in the 100m hurdles, 3rd in the 200m dash, and 3rd in the 400m relay. Katy Forbes placed 5th in the 100m dash, 3rd in the 400m relay and 4th in the 800m relay. Brianna Brown placed 3rd in the 3200m run, 3rd in the 300m hurdles, and 4th in the 1600m relay.

Kaylea Holbrook placed 5th in the 800m run, 3rd in the 1600m run, and 4th in the 1600 relay. Madison Rice placed 4th in both the 800m and 1600m relays. Shelbi Montgomery placed 4th in the 800m relay.

For the boys' team, Jahari Vanover placed 2nd in the shot put, 1st in the 300m hurdles, 3rd in the 800m relay, and 4th in the 1600m relay. Cutter Rees placed 4th in the 100m hurdles, 5th in the 100m dash, and 3rd in the 800m relay. Kutter Stewart placed 5th in the high jump, 3rd in the 800m run, 3rd in the 800m relay, and 4th in the 1600m relay.

Jacob Morris placed 5th in the 400m dash, 4th in the 800m run, and 4th in the 1600m relay. Rylan Gardner placed 5th in the 200m dash, 3rd in the 800m relay, and 4th in the 1600m relay. Zachary Dalton placed 4th in the 1600m run and 5th in the 3200m run. Ian Hale placed 5th in the 1600m run.



LADY BULLDOGS CATELYN Johnston, Felicia Gibson and Alicia Hernandez will compete in the regional track meet which will be held on the campus of Abilene Christian University on May 1, 2.

Three Lady Bulldogs advance to regionals

Loraine Lady Bulldogs Felicia Gibson, Alicia Hernandez and Catelyn Johnston, returned from their trip to the area track meet held in Trent last week, with medals and an opportunity to compete in the regional track meet in Abilene.

Gibson, a senior at LHS, earned her way to the regional

meet by placing 3rd in the 100m dash. Hernandez, a sophomore, clinched 2nd in the discus and freshman Johnston took 4th in the pole vault to advance to the regional meet.

The regional track meet will be held at Elmer Gray Stadium on the campus of Abilene Christian University on May 1, 2.

Hawkins places 3rd; wins trip to regionals



EMILY HARKINS will be representing Westbrook at the regional track meet to be held May 1-2.

Emily Harkins, a sophomore at Westbrook High School,

took 3rd place in discus in the area track meet held in Trent last week. Third place qualifies her to advance to the regional meet.

The Westbrook athlete threw a distance of 93'1", just short of the top two qualifiers, Kim Williams of Roby and Alicia Hernandez of Loraine.

Harkins will travel to Abilene to compete at the regional meet which will be held at Elmer Gray Stadium on the campus of Abilene Christian University on May 1-2.

Harkins' teammates Cassie Bass Olivas and Chelsea Martinez also competed in the area meet. Bass Olivas placed 8th in the long jump and Martinez placed 8th in the 100 m hurdles.

Martinez will travel to the regional meet as an alternate.

Lady 'Dogs win big over Roby

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs softball team hammered out 18 hits enroute to a 13-7 win over Roby Tuesday, April 14.

Megan Sanchez pitched a good game, going the distance and striking out 5. Offensively, she also had 3 hits.

Other Lady Bulldogs getting hits included Catelyn Johnston, along with Raven Limones.

Felicia Gibson, Breanna Williams and Celia Rico all collected two hits apiece to help the Bulldog effort.

Ariel Bailey, Alicia Hernandez and Leslie Bruce also had hits.

"This was our best hitting performance of the year through the entire lineup. Every starter got at least one hit," Coach Rick Lucas said.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO ENTITY FOR DENSITY PURPOSES ORDER WESTBROOK SOUTHEAST UNIT WESTBROOK FIELD MITCHELL COUNTY, TEXAS

Energen Resources Corporation is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to amend the Entity for Density Order adopted by the Railroad Commission of Texas in Docket 8-76,022 for the Westbrook Southeast Unit (20847), Westbrook Field, Mitchell County, Texas. Energen proposes to conform the existing order to the modern Entity for Density Orders and to permit wells to be drilled in the Westbrook Southeast Unit consistent with the existing field rules as they exist now and as they may change from time to time. Energen also proposes that the Entity for Density Order recognize the expansion of the unitized interval to include the Westbrook (Clear Fork, Upper) Field in Oil and Gas Docket Nos. 08-0231733 and 08-0231734. Energen proposes the adoption of the following language to be applicable to the Entity for Density Order for the Westbrook Southeast Unit:

1. That the unit's density will not exceed that authorized by applicable field rules, within the limits of the unit.
2. That no well under the provisions of this order will be drilled closer than the applicable lease/unit line spacing rule without first having given 10 days notice to offset operators and after public hearing, if protest to such proposed location is filed with the Commission.
3. That all applications to drill wells (Form W-1) under the authority of this order be submitted to the Rule 37 Department for approval.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, by May 14, 2009, to Technical Permitting, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6813).

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO ENTITY FOR DENSITY PURPOSES ORDER NORTH WESTBROOK UNIT WESTBROOK FIELD MITCHELL COUNTY, TEXAS

Energen Resources Corporation is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to amend the Entity for Density Order adopted by the Railroad Commission of Texas in Docket 8-76,362 for the North Westbrook Unit (20831), Westbrook Field, Mitchell County, Texas. Energen proposes to conform the existing order to the modern Entity for Density Orders and to permit wells to be drilled in the North Westbrook Unit consistent with the existing field rules as they exist now and as they may change from time to time. Energen also proposes that the Entity for Density Order recognize the expansion of the unitized interval to include the Westbrook (Clear Fork, Upper) Field in Oil and Gas Docket Nos. 08-0254451 and 08-0254452. Energen proposes the adoption of the following language to be applicable to the Entity for Density Order for the North Westbrook Unit:

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MITCHELL

By the virtue of Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable 32nd Judicial District court of Mitchell County, Texas, on the 1st day of April, 2009, in the following case to the Sheriff directed, the following property, which is more particularly described in the judgment entered in that cause, was levied on the

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3rd day of April, 2009, and will be sold at 10 a.m. on the 5th day of May, 2009, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the north door of the Courthouse in Mitchell County, Texas, in the City of Colorado City, Texas, to satisfy judgment with interest and will all cost of suit in favor of Mitchell County, et al, and other taxing units and against those defendants listed in said Judgments and Order of Sale.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **Charles Earl Funderburg**, deceased, were issued on March 30, 2009, in Cause No. 5186, pending in the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas, to: **Lillie Mae Funderburg**.

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: Lillie Mae Funderburg, 329 CR 100, Colorado City, Texas 79512.
Dated the 20th day of April, 2009.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Energen Resources Corporation, 3300 North "A" St, Bldg 4, Ste 100, Midland, Texas 79705 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Middle Clearfork formation, Westbrook Southeast Unit, Well Number(s) 1051W, 1838W & 3509W. The proposed injection well(s) are located approximately 10-13 miles West-Southwest of Colorado City, in the Westbrook Field, in Mitchell County.

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2900 to 3400 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Resources Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2800 to 3500 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural

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BID NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE OF SELECTION OF COUNTY DEPOSITORY

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Mitchell County, Texas will, at the regular may term 2009, receive applications for selections of a county depository of and for the public funds of Mitchell County, Texas, for the years 2009-2013. Included are trust funds in the hands of the County and District Clerk. The application will conform to the provisions of the County Depository Law, articles 2544 revised civil statutes of the State of Texas as amended.

Any banking corporation, association, or individual banker of Mitchell County, Texas desiring to be designated and/or selected as such depository shall make and deliver proposals to the county judge of Mitchell County, Texas on or before 5:00pm on May 8, 2009. Bids will be opened on Monday, May 11, 2009 at 10:00 am at the regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Mitchell County, Texas. Application forms are available in the office of the county judge and shall be used by all interested parties. The Mitchell County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

Ray Mayo
Mitchell County Judge

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

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Gaye Taylor

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By Bessie Ann Vaughn
Loraine
Correspondent

Durwood and Ina Vay McAdams spent the weekend in Salado. Their granddaughter, Melissa McAdams married William Chad Green of Windthorst. Their outdoor wedding was held Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Tenroc Ranch outside of Salado.

The setting was beautiful and after two days of rain, the sun came out about 3 p.m. and all went well.

Saturday evening, April 19, Bob and Wanza visited Tom and Debby Carlock and also with grandsons, Cade and Cory Carlock and great-grandson, Max Carlock. Rayanne Carlock was also there.

It was a nice evening, the Graham's reported.

Visiting Wanza and Bob Graham Friday evening was Dianne and Willis Hughes and Brenda and Tommy Linam.

Joan Long drove up to Ackerly Thursday to take Quentin Merket's stock trailer home. Because of the drought, he was having a problem with mice

and asked his mom to bring him some cats. She found two fat cats ready for a maternity ward and took them along. The mamas will need to eat a lot of mice for baby kittens' milk.

Providing special music for the Methodist Church Sunday was Ginny Harmon. She sang "In the Garden".

We have concerns for James Stewart at this time. He is in Rolling Plains hospital in Sweetwater. We send him get-well wishes and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Henry and Kelly Mitchell and their daughters, Leslie and Carson visited and had lunch with Elnora Sunday. Judy and Ray Macha from Lockney, his sister-in-law and two nieces, Josephine Macha and daughters, Johnna and Sarah Macha from Plainview were visitors as well Sunday.

Last Thursday night, the weather was unpredictable. Rain, high wind, hail and lots of thunder and lightning took place.

It was reported that 75 people took shelter in the basement of the Loraine Baptist Church. This is to remind you that you are welcome to use the basement in bad weather. We are all grateful there is a place to go.

We send our condolences to the family and friends of Pablo Alfaro. He was in an accident and later passed away at Mitchell County Hospital Sunday morning.

Millie Rose reported that when her regular church meeting was over, several attendants went out for a quick lunch then drove over to Snyder to attend the New Hope Baptist Church anniversary program last Sunday.

Rev. Raymond Duncan, pastor, offered a spiritual message then a gospel singing took place. Later, a pot luck meal was served. A visitation and fellowship followed.

Loraine residents are being asked to make sure that they have visible house numbers on their homes. This request is urgent, and for the benefit of all of our emergency responders as well as the residents when any emergency arises, where time is critical.

For your convenience, numbers are available at Maz's Place for a reasonable fee.

On April 18, 2009, the junior/senior school banquet was held at the school cafeteria in Loraine. The theme of the party was "Midnight Black Tie Affair". Randall Volcko was the sponsor. Prom king and queen were Abraham Aguirre and Leslie Bruce.

The room was decorated in pink and black. On one wall, netting was draped with it bunched in the middle and pulled and draped at each end. Pink and black balloons were positioned at artistic places in profusion. The tables were also decorated in pink and black.

The meal consisted of brisket, beans, potato salad and rice. The special cake had pictures of the seniors and their

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names on it.

Juniors attending the banquet were: Joel Bradley, Ashley Bridges, Ray Cantu, Anthony Gonzales, Kassandra Jimenez, Maria Lambaren, Mario Lopez, Erica Medina, Megan Oliver, Roberto Talamantes, Alexandra Villalon and Jordan Womack.

Seniors attending were: Abraham Aguirre, Leslie Ashton Bruce, Robert Urias Cantu, Justin Tanner Fountain, Felicia Michelle Gibson, David Huerta, Carlton Thomas Johnston, Marcus Tyrone Kirk, Ector Cruz Lopez, Joe Louis Martinez, Janie Marie Ramirez, Marie Antoinette Ruth, Jacob Marcus Sanchez and Carlos Raul Valenzuela.

Visiting with Christene Britton over the weekend were Mike and Rachel from Allen and Carlos and Dwight Aston from Abilene.

My brother, Johnny Price, who was living in Sweetwater has moved to Del Rio to be near his children.

I miss him popping in. He lived here in Loraine for 17 years and always considered it home. When my brothers, Raymond and Roy were in the service overseas in World War II, he kept on begging until my parents signed for him to enlist at 17.

He and Bobby Graham left Loraine to enlist at the same time. Both went in different directions, though.

Aubrey Wilson and his friends from Snyder played at the Senior Center last Monday.

Dorothy Norwood and Charles Dunn played music on April 22nd.

Mary McMullen will give her nutritional report on April 24th.

The birthday party will take place on April 29th, with a nice meal and a birthday cake. Plus, Debbie Mitchell and Judy Beasley will provide the music.

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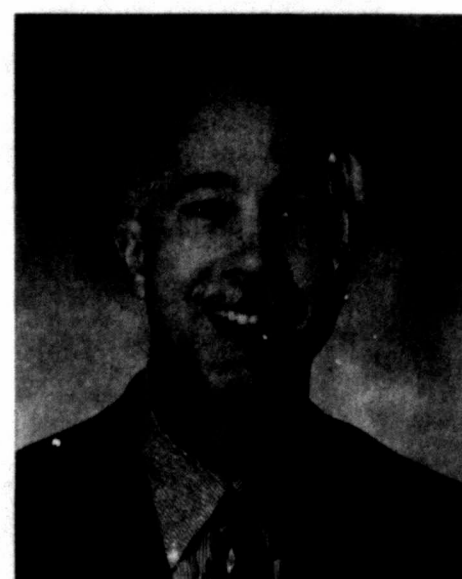
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